



TALKING ABOUT THE PETITION to oppose a parking lot at Monastery Beach is Robert G. Bates, former deputy director of the California State Parks Department who now lives in Pebble Beach. Bates, who was with the agency in the 1970's, signed the petition after talking to Tom Beardsley, a local parent with children at the Bay School on the beach, and Molly Erickson, who represents the City of Carmel's opposition to a parking lot. They gathered signatures outside the Safeway at Crossroads Sunday for presentation to the Board of Supervisors Tuesday.
San photo by Isabelle Hall

After Anonymous Complaint

CRA Files for Political Status

The Carmel Residents Association (CRA) has been certified by the California Fair Political Practices Committee as a "General Purpose Committee" following an anonymous complaint it was operating as a Political Action Committee.

"Please don't characterize us as a PAC," President Jim Holliday told the *Sun*. "We're not a political action committee. We do not give money directly to candidates. The language is 'General Purpose Committee.'"

Holliday said the category means that the

residents group of about 350 members has to file semi-annual statements reporting the monies it expends and its activities during the year and prior to elections, and then has the right to support candidates, run ads and produce educational information.

"We are clearly not a PAC," he said, "That suggests a purpose we do not adhere to at all. We educate people. Some critics of the CRA questioned our role as a PAC. We didn't think we were. Some one complained to Sacramento but they won't tell

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Beach Parking Lot Foes Win Supervisors' Support

By Carolyn Rice

About 50 well-organized opponents left the Board of Supervisors Tuesday feeling they had scored a victory in their campaign to block construction of a parking lot in the eucalyptus grove at Monastery Beach.

The supervisors voted unanimously to ask the Coastal Commission to delay any decision on an off-highway lot at the beach alongside Highway 1 just south of Carmel. In taking the action, the supervisors said they needed time to amend the Carmel Area Land Use Plan which calls for an end to parking along the shoulder of the road there.

The Coastal Commission has the parking lot on its agenda for its meeting in Marina del Rey next week, and Lily

Cervantes of Salinas, who serves on the 12-member agency, told the *Sun* she would move for a continuance. But she said she could not predict what her colleagues would do.

Kerry Gates of the State Parks and Recreation Department told the supervisors that he needs a permit by March to be able to use \$800,000 set aside for the project in the 1992-93 budget. He said the funds might not be available in the future if the project is delayed beyond that.

A loose-knit group calling itself Citizens' Coalition to Save Monastery Beach gave the board 4,060 signatures opposing parking lots and urging that parking be allowed to continue along the shoulder of the road. They also sent a parade of residents to tell the board of their opposition and filled one back row in the supervisors' chambers with 4-year-olds from Bay School to emphasize their opposition.

Tom Beardsley, a Bay School parent and coordinator of the coalition, said the petition drive took place during three and a half weeks of "the cold, flu and holiday season." He said signatures were easy to get on the street and the group received 75 to 150 in the mail each day.

He said the petition had been signed by every socio-economic group—divers, homeowners, school parents and tourists.

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New Storms Lift Rainfall

By Stan Hall

Another series of weekend storms gave the peninsula a second good soaking, bringing rainfall the closest to normal it has been in six years of drought.

Measurements by weather observer Graham Matthews showed the latest rains dumped 2.40 inches on Carmel Valley Village, bringing the total for the July-to-June rain year to 7.47 inches as of Wednesday.

Normal rainfall for Jan. 8 in the Village is 6.78 inches, Matthews told the *Sun*, and at this time last year, he had measured only 3.15 inches.

While rainfall in the Village finally

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Third Annual Village Affair Tickets on Sale

Tickets are now on sale for the third annual Village Affair, an evening of good food, wine, fun and entertainment Jan. 20 to provide funds to construct more pedestrian pathways through Carmel Valley Village.

"Every year it gets better, and we think people will be especially impressed with the improvements this time," said Tony Glanville, a member of the committee working to organize the event.

It will feature tasty hors d'ouevres provided by two score Village restaurants and caterers, wine from seven local wineries, live and silent auctions, entertainment by popular Pat Duval and door prizes, including \$500 cash.

For the third year, the event will be held at Los Laureles Lodge, beginning at 5:30 p.m. A larger tent has been secured this year which will permit all the food, desserts, wine tasting, entertainment and live auction to be inside it.

David Armanasco will serve as auctioneer for a variety of out-of-town trips, nights out on the peninsula, four local chefs who will prepare dinner in the home of the winning bidder and

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Carmel Takes the Lead in H.C. Freeway Lawsuit

By Isabelle Hall

Led by the City of Carmel, the Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District, the Sierra Club and the Hatton Canyon Coalition joined forces to bring a lawsuit to halt approval of the controversial freeway first considered in the 1950's to relieve congestion around Carmel.

"We are mandated to bring the action," said Carmel Councilwoman Barbara Brooks who is chair of the so-called Consortium formed to oppose the 2.8-mile freeway. "We have to support the (Carmel) General Plan and it calls for widening Highway 1."

Carmel could end up bearing the financial brunt of the legal action although thus far the City Council has just voted to appropriate \$10,000 to help pay for the lawsuit.

The suit challenged the adequacy of the environmental impact report/statement (EIR/S) for the \$36 million project after the State Transportation Commission approved a notice of determination making it eligible for future funding consideration.

Supporters of the freeway expressed outrage that the city and the regional park district would spend public funds to fight the freeway.

"I'm damned mad," said Bill Theis of Carmel, a supporter of the freeway, noting that he had written to the County Counsel to ask whether the two agencies had followed the requirements of the Brown Act in voting to join the suit. The Brown act is aimed at ending illegal secrecy by government. (See a separate story on page 6.)

Charging that the Federal Highway Administration and Caltrans violated their statutory duties under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) by preparing an inadequate EIR/S, the consortium asked the court to void and set aside the agency decisions. It sought an injunction restraining the agencies from taking any action to implement the freeway project until all federal and state regulations are fully complied with. It also wants to be awarded all costs involved with the suit, estimated to run at least \$75,000.

The suit was announced at a news conference held

at Carmel City Hall Jan. 3, a day after it was filed in U.S. District court in San Jose.

After the four members of the consortium disclosed that \$35,000 had been contributed thus far while at least \$75,000 would be needed if the case goes to trial, Brooks said, "I guess we'll have to pass the hat."

Later, she explained that the city would have to foot the bill if not enough funds can be raised because of its commitment against a freeway through Hatton Canyon. She said, however, that she expected the Coalition would raise another \$15,000.

Mayor Jean Grace said Carmel had contributed \$10,000 towards filing papers after deciding, "Let's put our money where our mouth is."

Zad Leavy, chairman of the regional park district board, said it also had kicked in \$10,000. Michael Kelly, representing the Ventana Chapter of the Sierra Club, said his group had put in \$15,000. Skip Lloyd of the Hatton

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LETTERS

Why Not Use Plastic?

Your report on "Will Carmel Become a City of Plastic?" is very misleading and indeed harmful. Therefore, I would like the opportunity to clarify and explain.

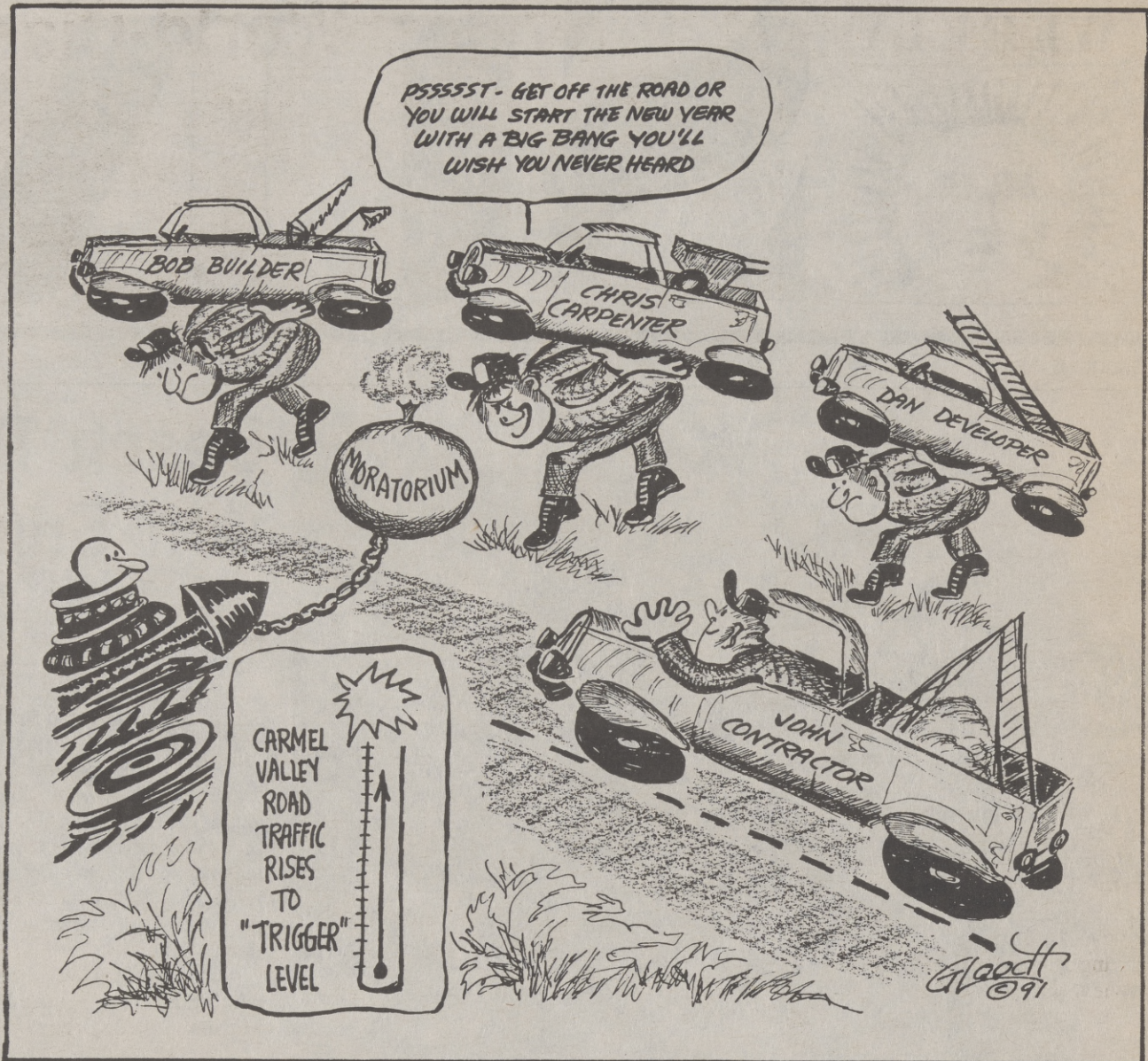
Our National Forests are under siege. Only 5 percent of our ancient forests remain, and if the timber industry continues to get its way, we, the people, will be left with 1 percent by the end of the century. It is time people let the timber industry and Congress know how we feel about our rich heritage. It is also time to send a message to the timber industry that we are no longer going to stand by and let them continue destroying what belongs to us all.

Carmel decided to do that by introducing a policy which would try and use recycled wood from the Waste Management District and use cement blocks for retaining walls and plastic lumber made from recycled milk jugs.

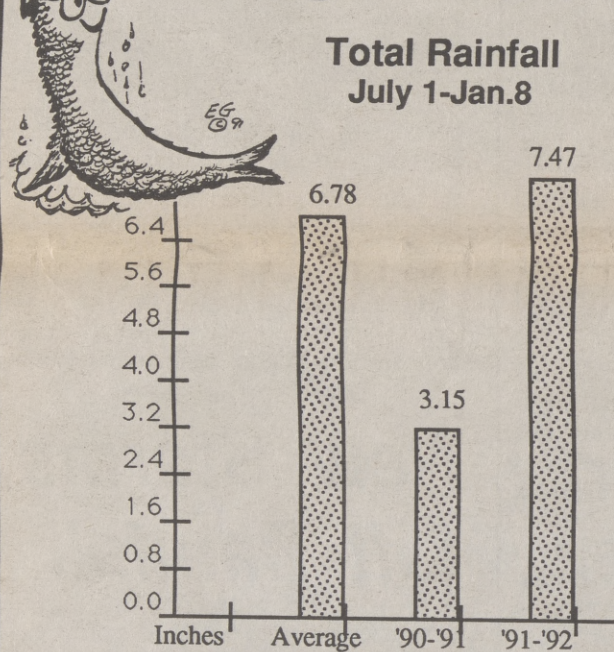
In truth, the plastic we use has nowhere to go, and if we can use this waste plastic to offset the need for virgin old growth, let's do it. No one likes plastic, and yet we all use it, then throw it away. But throwing it away doesn't get rid of it. It just fills up landfills. What is the harm to re-use it in one form or another?

Carmel's decision to use alternatives to wood whenever possible has been heralded by environmental organizations nationwide as a giant step for forests. The Wilderness Society, National Wildlife Federation and Native Forest Council have all requested copies of the policy, and we hope to present it to other cities to follow.

Lorna Moffat, Regional Coordinator
National Forest Action Council



Drought Watch



*The rain year is measured from July 1 to June 30. The chart above shows rainfall for year-to-date for this year, last year and what is average, based on three decades of records for Carmel Valley Village maintained by observer Graham Matthews.

For the full rain year, average precipitation in the Village is 17.59 inches. Since 1986, the area has received significantly below average rainfall. It got 11.24 inches in '86-'87, 10.06 in '87-'88, 11.06 in '88-'89, 13.32 in '89-'90, and 15.72 in '90-'91.

Chart by June Levora

Panetta at Home

Sounding Like An Outsider

Leon Panetta drove a couple miles up Carmel Valley Road Tuesday, had a \$1 drink, picked up his buffet lunch and then told the Kiwanis Club how bad things are in Washington and in the country.

"People are legitimately worried about our democracy and about the leadership we have to make our democracy work," said Panetta. "There's this enormous credibility gap with government."

He said both Congress and the bureaucracy needed streamlining and complained that discipline required for the country to live within its means was missing.

He decried the nation's loss of productivity and its ability to compete. He said U. S. education was not responding to the challenge and declared something had to be done about health care. It's consuming \$700 billion a year—more than in any other industrialized country, he said.

If you didn't know better you might mistake Panetta for one of the new candidates for Congress. But he is the powerful Democratic chairman of the House Budget Committee. He just sounded like an outsider, not the Washington insider he is.

"We can't make decisions," Panetta said, referring to the government he has served for 16 years. As an example, he said that to try to get a decision on a new dam on the Carmel River he had to call together representatives of 25 to 30 different agencies. "And all of them have the ability to beat on the damn thing," he added, seemingly oblivious to the pun he had made. He said the same situation existed in Congress where an energy bill would have to go through five separate committees to make it to the floor.

What's the answer? He offered a three-step program:

1—The nation must streamline its government, he said, suggesting that the 14 cabinet level departments should be reduced to about six. "It won't be easy," he said, "There are a lot of toes to step on." Congress needs reforming, too, he said. He noted that each committee develops a constituency over the years—and tends to become beholden to it.

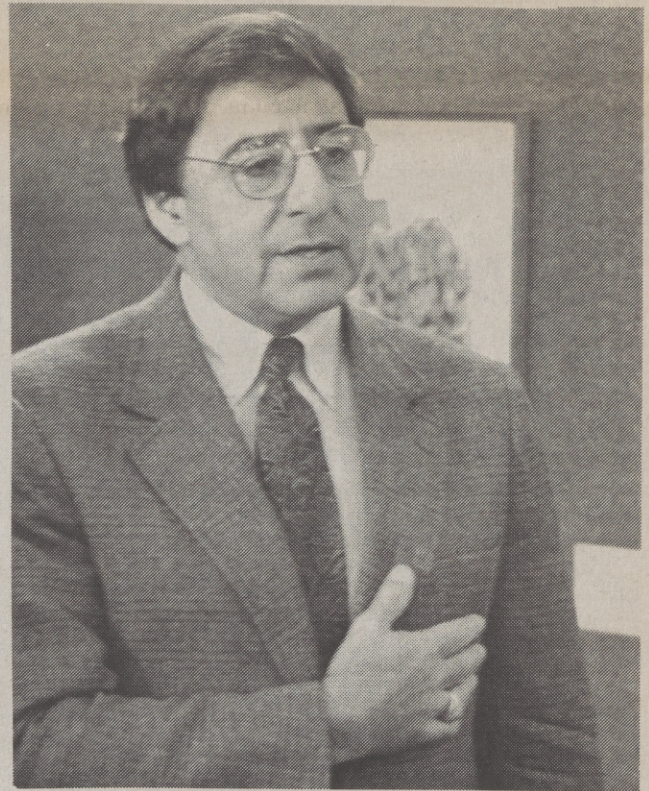
2—Additional efforts must be made to reduce the deficit, following up on the deficit reduction program hammered out last summer in five months of negotiations between the administration and Congress.

The total federal deficit is approaching \$4 trillion, he said, and ideally, it should be reduced to no more than \$1 trillion by the end of the decade. As for the deficit reduction agreement, "it is real—it's not smoke and mirrors," he said, the most significant step in introducing discipline into the budget process in 10 to 15 years.

3—The country must carefully target the "investments" it needs to make to improve society, he said. "We can't fund everything."

Improving education is a key to the country's future, Panetta declared, and health care reform was essential.

Panetta also prescribed more federal spending for



LEON PANETTA pledges allegiance to the flag.

research and development and more money to fix up the nation's infrastructure. He also endorsed the idea of tax incentives for American business, but only as part of a long-term plan. "A quick fix—a short-term tax cut—is the last thing we need right now."

As for the pressure on Congress to increase spending or to cut taxes, Panetta said his advice to his colleagues is simple:

"If you want to expand a program, just pay for it. If you want to cut taxes, that's fine, but figure out how to make up the lost revenue. Just pay for it, that's all."

He said the cost of all the proposals presently being floated to get the economy out of recession would eat up the so-called peace dividend "three times over."

While the closing of Fort Ord will cause local dislocation, he said it will open up new opportunities on the 26,000 acres. He also predicted that with the collapse of Communism, "over 100 installations will be added to the closure list" in the next few years.

He predicted the military would continue to operate the base PX, commissary and hospital and said the most promising additional use is for a San Jose State campus.

"Sacrifice and savings," Panetta said, are what's needed.

After the meeting, Panetta was asked if his speech didn't amount to running against Washington—against the establishment. Smiling broadly, he said, "It's nothing new. I've been giving that speech for a long time."

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Chews Ridge Provides World-Class Astronomy

An experiment to help determine where to put a new Naval Observatory telescope has confirmed that Chews Ridge in upper Carmel Valley is one of the best places in the world for astronomy, according to Dr. William Bruce Weaver.

"We knew that Chews Ridge was great, but we didn't know it was this spectacular," said Weaver, the astronomer-president of the Monterey Institute for Research in Astronomy (MIRA), which operates an observatory at about the 5,500-foot level on Chews Ridge.

In the experiment, three observatories have been looking at the same star simultaneously. Their results are then compared to determine which site provides the best "seeing." The other locations taking part in the experiment and being considered for a new Naval Observatory interferometric telescope are Anderson Peak near Big Sur and Flagstaff, Ariz.

Dr. Don Walters, a physicist with the Navy Postgraduate School in Monterey, agreed that "Coastal sites in California are world class, including Chews Ridge." He said the best seeing on the coast started about at Chews Ridge and extended down to Mount Wilson in Southern California.

Walters, who initiated the research which led to the experiment in seeing, said he would describe the proposed new Naval Observatory telescope as an astrogaph, explaining it would be a multiple-mirror instrument which would make precise position measurements of the stars.

An interferometric telescope is a relatively new design which employs computer technology to enhance the picture, taking out the waviness or blur.

The director of the program at the

Naval Observatory in Washington has been ill and could not be reached by the *Sun*. But others at the Observatory said the proposed new telescope was expected to cost in the \$15 million range. They could not predict when the Navy would decide on a location for it or when construction might start.

Anderson Peak, which is east of Big Sur's Ventana Inn, is the site of a Navy tracking station used for launches from Vandenberg Air Force Base near Lompoc, Calif., Weaver said.

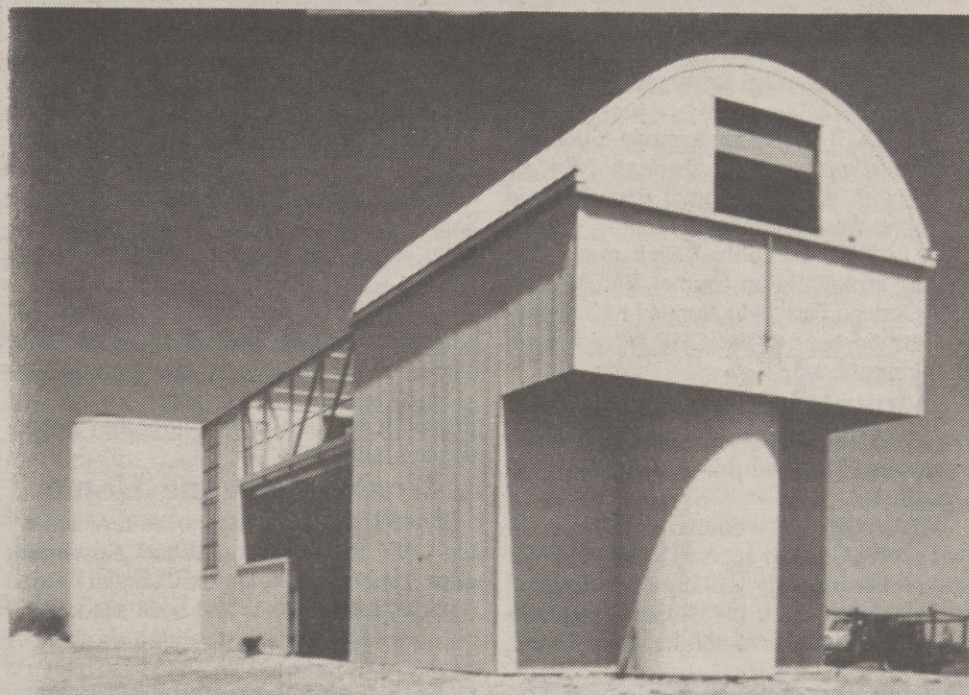
In MIRA's latest newsletter, Weaver explained that "seeing is the apparent size of the image of a star when viewed through a telescope...Seeing is usually expressed as an angular size such as arcseconds.

"One arcsecond is equivalent to the apparent diameter of a dime at a distance of about a mile," Weaver wrote. He went on to explain that "seeing" at a randomly selected site would be about 3 arcseconds on a good night, compared to about two arcseconds at most observatories and a little over one arcsecond at the best observatories.

Measurements for the experiment made in August, September and October at Chews Ridge were "spectacular," Weaver said. "Half of the time, the seeing was better than 7/10 of an arcsecond. A lot of the images were about 1/2 an arcsecond, unheard of at most observatories and rarely seen at even the best sites."

Asked what made Chews Ridge such a good location for astronomical research, Weaver told the *Sun* that cold air coming in from the west and over the Pacific tended to be stable and move in straight lines.

To explain, he drew a contrast between how a person would see a distant object on



OLIVER OBSERVING STATION, LOCATED ON CHEW'S RIDGE, the highest point in the area, houses the Monterey Institute for Research in Astronomy's 36-inch telescope.
Photo courtesy MIRA

earth when looking at it through cold, crisp air as opposed to seeing in on a hot, turbulent day.

"It has to do with how wiggly and wavey the atmosphere makes things look," Weaver said.

"When it's really good up there, it's really great," Weaver said of Chews Ridge. "But when a front comes in (with its turbulence), you get terrible seeing."

When Weaver said the experiment had confirmed astronomers' previous intuition that "seeing" from Chews Ridge was "world class," he was asked what other sites were as good. He cited the Whipple Observatory on the summit of Mount Mauna Kea in Hawaii. But he explained that because Hawaii is usually in warm,

unstable air, the telescope there must be at 13,000 feet altitude to get above atmospheric turbulence.

The results of the measurements made during the experiment will be included in an environmental impact report once a site for the new Naval Observatory telescope is decided.

In the meantime, he said the telescope from Chews Ridge soon will be taken to the Naval Observatory near Flagstaff. There it will be used to look at a distant star simultaneously with the Flagstaff telescope.

The results along with the calibrations of the two instruments will then be analyzed to ensure that any differences are because of the seeing at the two sites, and not in the calibration of the instruments, he said.

Carmel Extends Its Control to All Trees in Record Short Session

Given a noncontroversial agenda, the Carmel City Council Tuesday exercised its debating skills on the merits of "trashy" trees like acacia and pittosporum and decided they were worthy of its protection in a record-breaking session for brevity.

City Clerk Jeanne Brehmer clocked the end at 7:15 p.m. which she said was the shortest regular session she could remember in "at least five or six years." The council meets at 4 p.m. once a month in regular session and often sits until after 10 p.m.

Not only was the opening session of 1992 brief, it bored at least one diehard observer to the point of going home when Mayor Jean Grace called a brief recess just before 6 p.m. "It's always like this just before an election," he said, referring to the April 14 election.

Carmelites take their trees seriously, and in December the Council voted to declare 1992 the Year of the Forest in a proclamation which stated that "all upper canopy trees regardless of species should be protected."

"Do you consider an acacia a tree?" Councilman Bob Fischer asked City Forester Gary Kelly. "Yes," said Kelly. "I hate 'em," Fischer admitted. "Every time I see them I pull them up in my yard."

"How does this play with the city position on eucalyptus and pittosporum?" asked Councilman Ken White, posing a tricky question in view of the fact the City is fighting hard to save an historic eucalyptus grove at Monastery Beach from being cut down for a parking lot.

"Each will be judged on their own merits," said Kelly.

Kelly submitted an amendment to an ordinance requiring a permit to cut down any species of tree on private property capable of growing to a minimum of 25 feet in height and having a diameter greater than 10 inches or a circumference greater than 32 inches.

The new restriction embracing any type of tree amends an ordinance passed in 1989 that required permits for cutting down pine, redwood, oak or cypress trees on private property that had a diameter equal to or greater than six inches or a circumference greater than 19 inches.

Monterey and Pacific Grove have similar ordinances.

City Forester Gary Kelly told the *Sun* that since the ordinance was enacted, the city got about one application a month for such a permit. Failure to get approval subjects the property owner to a fine of \$250 a month but no fines have ever been imposed, he said. "We just want to cooperate with people."

Grace, who admitted she had a pittosporum she hated on her property, said, "We were concerned that we didn't overbureaucratize and overregulate trees when we first passed the ordinance."

"There are certain black acacias that add a great deal of foliage to the forest," Kelly said in defense of the "lesser" trees. "Though as a general rule they're considered an invasive species."

Environmentalist Noel Mapstead took the position that the ordinance was "an infringement on private property rights. I don't see protecting all trees when we should be protecting the Monterey Pines."

Planning Commissioner Brian Congleton disagreed. "Trees are an area where we should provide more regulation. It does not conflict with private property rights."

In other action, the Council voted unanimously without any public objection to raise its Planning and Building Department fees across the board and to charge for appeals. (See story on page 16).

An appeal against a Planning Commission decision against a lighting plan for a Scenic Road house was denied 5-0 but a technical denial of a use permit for a jewelry store rented by Constance Laub was overturned 5-0.

The Council gave second reading to an ordinance banning fires at Carmel Beach north of 10th Avenue and first reading to a model ordinance to simplify procedures for undergrounding utilities.

Fischer changed his position after urging consideration of a resolution that would allow tour bus parking on Junipero on the east side of Devendorf Park.

The suggestion was opposed by the staff Traffic Committee which found it would cause noise and pollution in the heavily

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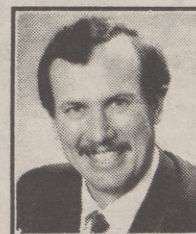
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SHERIFF'S LOG

HIGHLANDS. A Highlands man reported the theft of his fanny pack out of his truck. 12/31.

CACHAGUA. An anonymous caller said someone was walking through Prince's Camp with a machine gun; deputies said the report was unfounded. 1/1.

VALLEY. A Pebble Beach man, seen driving erratically on Carmel Valley Road near Garland Park, was stopped by a deputy and turned over to the CHP for arrest on DUI charges. 1/1.

Mountain Bike Found

VILLAGE. A deputy found a stripped mountain bike while driving on Via Gitano. 1/1.

VILLAGE. A woman who lives in Hitchcock Canyon reported her neighbor was on her property looking for a dog that had mauled his cat; investigating deputies determined that it was not the woman's cat. 1/1.

RIO ROAD. A woman reported that juveniles had possibly tried to force open her rear door, but had not obtained entry. 1/2.

CARMEL. A woman said someone had turned on a garden hose at her home on Flanders Drive while she was out of town for the holidays. 1/3.

Barking Dogs in Village

VILLAGE. A woman complained about barking dogs on Live Oak Lane; deputies said a house-sitter brought four black dogs inside and reported their owners would return 1/4. 1/3.

BIG SUR. A Michigan man was found to be in possession of LSD at Julia Pfeiffer Burns State Park. 1/3.

SOUTH COAST. Two divers, men from San Jose and Palo Alto, were rescued by a passing party boat out of Monterey after being thrown against the rocks at the North end of Soberanes Point by heavy seas. Responding to their predicament were per-

sonnel from Mid Coast and Highlands Fire Departments, the Coast Guard, State Parks, the Sheriff's Dive Team, the Pacific Grove Marine Rescue and a MAST helicopter. 1/4.

RIO ROAD. A man was arrested at the Safeway in the Crossroads and charged with being drunk in public and resisting arrest. 1/4.

VALLEY. A Burlingame woman reported that some time in the past three weeks someone entered her unit at Del Mesa Carmel and took some towels and dishes. It was not known how they got in, deputies said. 1/5.

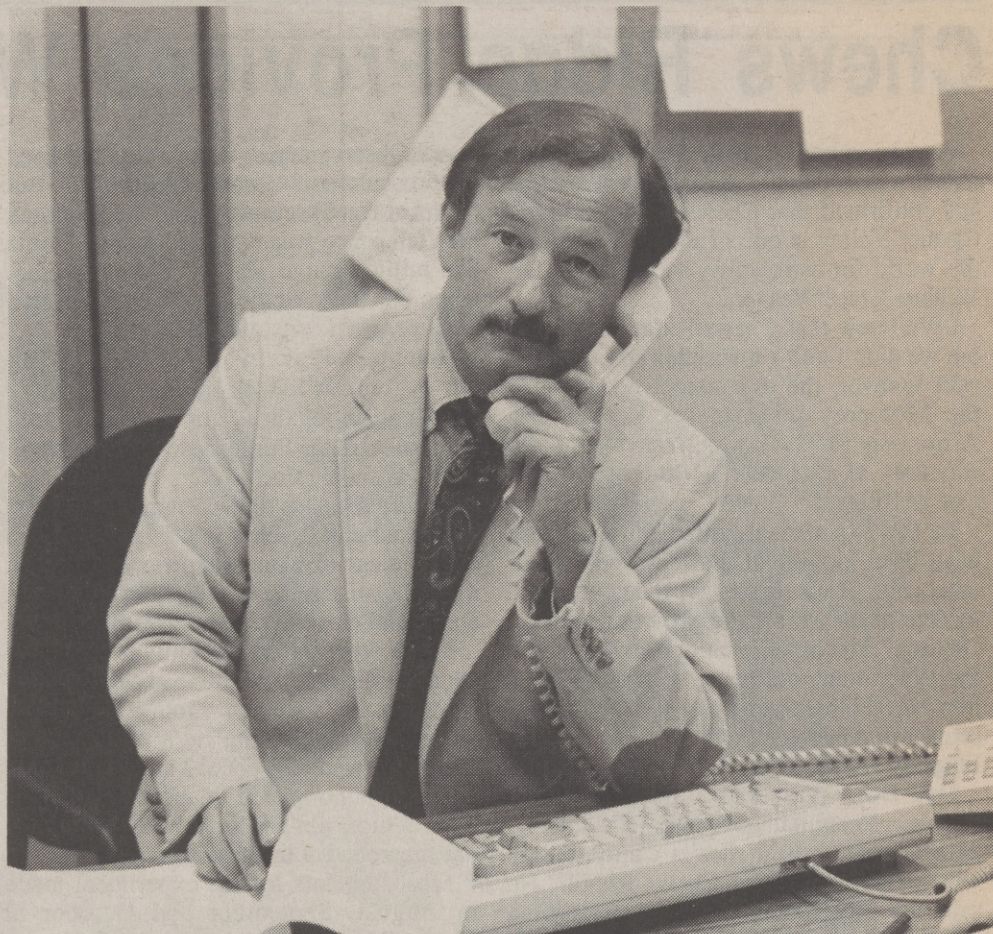
Gunmen Invade Home

VALLEY. Three men were arrested by the CHP at the Wagon Wheel Restaurant after a man who lives on Tassajara Road reported his neighbor had been accosted in his home by men armed with a shotgun. A woman in the home had been locked in a bedroom. Deputies were told, but she escaped carrying a 3-year-old girl and went to the neighbor who called authorities. The CHP located the men based on a description of their vehicle, a two-tone Chevy S-10 Blazer. Deputies were quoted as saying the three men told them they were looking for marijuana. Arrested were Steven Lee Avon, 25, Antioch; Troy Sisneros, 26, Pittsburg; and William Franklin Saunders, 25, Seaside. 1/5.

VALLEY. A woman on Valley Greens reported hearing three loud noises behind her house which might have been gunshots; investigators found nothing. 1/5.

Docents Will be Interviewed

The Docent Council of the Monterey Peninsula Museum of Art has scheduled informational interviews from Jan. 10 through 24 for persons interested in becoming docents. Training starts Jan. 27. Interested persons should call 624-0886.



SGT. PETE POITRAS, a Carmel police officer, will attend a three month FBI Academy which begins in March.
Sun photo by Carolyn Rice

Carmel Police Sergeant Will Attend FBI Academy Classes

Sgt. Pete Poitras of the Carmel-by-the-Sea Police Department will attend the Federal Bureau of Investigation National Academy for a three month session beginning March 29.

"It's a highly sought after opportunity," Poitras said. "Police officers from around the world attend." The sessions are held four times a year at the academy in Quantico, Virginia. Started by the late Director J. Edgar Hoover, it trains police officers in forensic skills, crime scene photography, problem solving, communication and suspect interrogation. This is the 169th session of the academy, Poitras said.

A Carmel Valley resident, Poitras said he will earn 19 college credits from the course. Course costs are paid by the federal government.

Poitras, 44, began his police work in

Seaside in 1974 where he worked as a detective and as an officer for the department. He has been with the Carmel police department for five and one-half years. He also worked for a time as a bank fraud investigator for the 87-branch United California Bank, now First Interstate.

Poitras said the FBI classes are taught by the University of Virginia and will be "directly applicable to my job." Credits will apply to a bachelor's degree in criminal justice which he is working on.

In 1988 Sgt. Jon Bowman of the department attended the academy. Other members of the department who attended in the 1960s or 70s were former Chief Clyde Klaumann, Chief William Ellis, and Officers Ed and Bob Fischer, now a City Councilman.

County Seeks to Revoke Probation For Cachagua Water Co. Owner

The County was scheduled to take Don Gates, owner of the Cachagua Mutual Water Co., back to Superior Court Thursday to try to revoke his probation for failing to pay for repairing the troubled water system as ordered.

Gates, 74, was to appear before Superior Judge William Wunderlich on a petition filed by Violet Dougherty of the County Probation Department.

Under terms of his probation, Gates was supposed to make 14 specific improvements in the system as suggested by MCSI, a water system and well repair firm in Carmel Valley. Those repairs were to have been completed by Dec. 15.

But Bud Tucker, a homeowner who took over operation of the system Feb. 1 under court order, said only four of the items had been completed, "and they were done by me."

Gates was given probation after pleading no contest to criminal charges that he sold unregistered securities—shares in the water company which serves about 18 homes in Cachagua where Gates subdivided part of the old Featherbow ranch.

After residents had complained of inadequate and unsanitary water for several years, the system left homeowners essentially without water for two months after a hard freeze broke unprotected supply pipes in December of 1990 and Gates did not repair them.

In a companion civil action, Gates was ordered to pay reasonable costs to repair the system by Superior Judge Richard Silver.

Tucker told the Sun that he

estimated all the repairs and improvements specified by MCSI probably would not cost over \$100,000. But he added that one of the conditions called for the water system to be able to produce at least 25 gallons per minute.

He said that even though a rework of the three wells increased their production, all together they are now producing only about 12 gallons per minute. He said he cleaned and repaired the wells after getting permission from Gates to go ahead with the work.

Tucker, who was recently hospitalized for an intestinal ailment, said that fellow resident Ray March had taken over operation of the system since he became ill.

Eight Owls Released By Wildlife Center

Eight great horned owls were released Saturday from the SPCA's wildlife rescue and rehabilitation center to mark its 10th anniversary.

Six of the birds were orphaned and two had been injured and nursed back to health at the center during the past eight months. In a typical year, about 20 owls are handled by the center, which is supported by private donations.

While at the center, the animals' contact with humans is limited so that they remain wild and can be released.

The great horned owl grows to two feet and gets its name from tufts of feathers on the sides of its head which look like horns.

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Annex Sphere of Influence

Dreamers Urge Development Intensity Freeze

Carmel's 2016 Committee, created to look into the future when the little city turns 100, recommended that the intensity of commercial and residential development should not be expanded beyond what existed in 1991 and that Carmel should "take control" of its official Sphere of Influence starting with Carmel Point.

The report recommended, "a commitment that the intensity of commercial development, i.e., square footage, traffic, and parking impacts, should not be expanded beyond what exists in 1991."

It also wants no increase in residential development—described as building coverage and height—beyond 1991 standards and recommended reduction of building footprints to allow enough room for upper-canopy trees.

"Houses should maintain the scale of their neighborhoods," said the report submitted to the City Council Tuesday. "Houses characteristic to Carmel-by-the-Sea should be preserved." The council set Jan. 16 at 4 p.m. for a workshop on the report.

The committee recommended four specific projects for prompt action:

1. Create a Post Office Plaza by closing part of Fifth Avenue in front of the Post Office.
2. Install restroom facilities at the south end of Carmel Beach.
3. Implement traffic-calming using narrowed traffic lanes, decreased speed limits, more trees and landscaping on San Carlos Street, Junipero Avenue, Carpenter Street and Rio Road.
4. Establish a freight station and prohibit double-parked trucks after 10 a.m. daily.

Recommended for an immediate start were four long-term projects:

1. Upgrade Sunset Center to include a contemporary performing arts facility.
2. Accelerate plans to locate all overhead utilities under ground in the residential district.
3. Establish an Arts and Crafts Center in which artisans will work and sell their art.
4. Annex Carmel Point.

Apparently due to its popular name, a "Dream Committee," the council had difficulty a year ago finding persons to serve on it. Once assembled, members met at least once a month, and once a week in recent months in an attempt to conclude its report.

Instead of labeling its ideas as recommendations, nine proposals are listed as "guiding visions" for the next 25 years, some more explicit than others. For example, the committee recommended "Expansion of political control to include the entire General Plan's Sphere of Influence."

Asked if this meant the city should annex all the land in its considerable sphere of influence, Chairman Neil Kruse said, "We didn't want to say that but, however it's done, we need control to protect Carmel." Kruse then pointed to an item on Page 16 where the committee, in a series of looks back from 2016, made the statement: "The 1991 Sphere of Influence was annexed to Carmel-by-the-Sea."

The city's sphere of influence extends eastward to include the 300-acre Hatton Fields on the west side of Highway 1 and the 115-acre Carmel Hills around Carmel High School, an area that runs between Highway 1 and the Caltrans right of way for the proposed Hatton Canyon Freeway. On the north it includes the 170-acre Carmel Woods area on the west side of Highway 1 and a parcel of land along the ocean that is an extension of property owned by Craig McFarland. To the south, the sphere of influence includes all of Carmel Point and all the land along the east side of Carmel River, plus a narrow band west of the river, eastward to Highway 1.

The boundaries were described May 27, 1988 by the Local Agency Formation Committee (LAFCO) which is responsible for designating cities' spheres of influence in the County.

Other items listed as "Guiding Visions" included:

- A strong commitment to the natural environment, with particular attention to preserving and replacing upper-canopy trees and providing enough room to grow the next generation of such trees.

- Preservation of the village-in-the-forest, with houses nestled among the trees. Preservation of the unique architectural style of Carmel houses and businesses. Preservation of structures built by Carmel's master builders. Preservation of historic or significant structures.

- A vital business community with unique stores serving both residents and visitors. A business area with strengthened opportunities for resident-serving businesses, artists, and artisans.

Carmel High Is Not for Sale

Carmel's 2016 Committee, created to take a look at what the city should be like when it turns 100, asked people if they thought Carmel High School should be purchased for either a parking lot, freight depot or cultural activities.

Vance Baldwin, Superintendent of the Carmel Unified School System, was baffled when asked about where the idea for selling the high school originated.

"Do you see a 'For Sale' sign in front of it?" he asked a *Sun* reporter who inquired. Baldwin said there had never been any suggestion the property on the east side of Highway 1 at Ocean Avenue was for sale since Middle School was built on Carmel Valley Road in 1962-63 when there was some discussion about moving the high school.

The questions were included in a long list posed to persons who attended the city's 75th Anniversary party at Sunset Center in October.

Thirty people said they thought the high school should be purchased for a cultural facility. Nine said no and one didn't know.

Another question asked whether the high school site should be purchased for a shuttle-park system and freight depot. Twenty-six people said yes, eight no, and two didn't know.

Yet another question asked if people favored a new educational park on school district land at the mouth of the Valley "with funds made available by the sale of the present high school site?" Twenty people liked the idea. No other answers were recorded.

- Traffic-calming in both residential and commercial areas. A city where pedestrians are favored over cars. Commercial traffic minimized in residential areas. Commercial parking eliminated from residential areas.

- The arts should be served and appropriate theater space created for the performing arts plus places for artists and artisans to work and display their wares. Preservation of outstanding local resources such as the Forest Theater.

- The Post Office "as a central meeting place for residents, with a Post Office Plaza for expanded social opportunities."

- Expansion of political control to include the entire General Plan's Sphere of Influence.

And, what does Carmel look like in 2016? Presented as "Visions," the committee said, among other things, that:

- The one-mile square city and its Sphere of Influence would be full of green space acquired by the "Carmel Land Trust" which would have been created in 1991.

- People have built only small houses that harmonize with historic homes over the past 25 years. A low-income housing mitigation fee imposed on new, large houses and remodeling has helped finance low income housing.

- The block north of Devendorf Park has an arts and crafts center and local artists are part of the downtown.

- The business district prospers because of the city's program to encourage small, unique stores and local ownership with incentives for resident-serving businesses and "visitors still love to come to Carmel because they feel as if they are guests in our village." Obvious tourist products such as Carmel logo merchandise are not allowed. Chain retail stores have been "discouraged."

- Residents can find what they need in town and don't have to go outside for businesses and services.

- The business community gets support by a core of downtown residents who live in apartments built in response to incentives for sites with both commercial and residential uses.

- Once a week two central city blocks are closed to traffic for a European-style farmers' market thus making the downtown a primary shopping area for locals and visitors alike.

- Unamplified live music is allowed in bars and establishments serving liquor.

- There are no four-lane roads after one lane in each direction was removed from Junipero and Ocean Avenues. The speed limit is 15 miles per hour throughout the city.

- Tour buses and recreational vehicles park out of the city and use shuttles.

- With the 1991 Sphere of Influence annexed, a local council exists in each community and determines local ordinances. A unified council provides regional planning and basic services.

- The Carmel River is a green belt connecting the area from the Fish Ranch and Odello land east to Garland Park.

- Hatton Canyon has been preserved as a wildlife sanctuary and greenbelt.

In addition to Kruse, members of the committee included Vance Fraiser and Edward Jordan, co-vice chairmen; Wendy Banks, Ann Beckett, Steve Brooks, Gregory Cellitti, G. Will Gahagan, Paul Hazdovac, Jim Holliday, Bruce Kibby, Suzanne H. Crowhurst Lennard, Noel Van Bibber, Ralph White and Arthur Young.

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What one should do about high fever in a child has a lot to do with the age and condition of the child. For example, a toddler with a temperature of 104 who is playing and eating well generally is of less concern than a child with a temperature of 102 who is irritable or not eating. On the other hand, a restless newborn or infant with a temperature of 100 to 101 may require immediate medical care.

There are several things one should do or not do when a child has a high fever. For one thing, never give the child a sponge bath in rubbing alcohol or ice water. Rapid lowering of fever often can be achieved with a tepid or warm water bath. Tepid water baths should, however, be reserved for temperatures that exceed 104. Most authorities recommend acetaminophen as the best and safest fever medicine for children. Make certain to use the correct dose based on the child's age and/or weight.



LIKE THE PIED PIPER OF THE FOREST, Jerry Pullen led young campers to Mission Trails Park for a hike on Friday. With the help of the Forest and Beach Department, the children attending Carmel's holiday camp also planted Monterey Pine seedlings along the way. Pullen, acting director of the city's Recreation Department, conducted the two-week camp. *Sun photo by Isabelle Hall*



ADDRESSING A NEWS CONFERENCE, Mayor Jean Grace said the Carmel City Council had voted to join a Consortium that is suing the state and federal government over the Hatton Canyon Freeway project. Other participants are from left, Michael Kelly of the Sierra Club's

Ventana Chapter, Skip Lloyd of the Hatton Canyon Coalition, Councilwoman Barbara Brooks who heads the Consortium, and Zad Leavy of the Monterey Regional Park District.

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Local Groups Sue Protesting Freeway

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Canyon Coalition said his group had put in no funds for the lawsuit, itself, but had spent \$50,000 earlier on a report about the freeway and \$16,000 on work leading up to the lawsuit. He said it was a nonprofit group "that cannot tax the public" but had "a few thousand in the bank and over 600 contributors."

The five-member Carmel city council voted unanimously in closed session Dec. 10 to join the lawsuit if it became necessary, officials said. Once the State Transportation Commission acted, legal action was the only recourse, according to City Administrator Doug Schmitz. He said the \$10,000 had come from line item changes in the city budget. Brooks said there had been "four or five meetings" between the four groups.

Saying the regional park district represented the wishes of "150,000 people in Western Monterey County," Leavy said his board of directors also had voted unanimously to join the suit because Hatton Canyon is included in its draft master plan as a long range acquisition if the freeway project is ever abandoned and the 168-acre right-of-way declared surplus.

"It seems patently absurd to spend \$35 million or more on three miles of freeway that goes nowhere except to funnel traffic into a two-lane road at the Carmel River when other alternatives exist," Leavy said in a prepared statement. "To destroy Hatton Canyon and its ecosystem would be to destroy the very values which draw people to this area, both residents and tourists alike."

Leavy called the project "typical federal and state overkill," and "nothing more than a boondoggle." He said Highway 1 could be widened and some interchanges added to cope with the congestion "at a fraction of the cost. Hatton Canyon is a valuable urban wilderness that should not be destroyed just to move cars faster. Hatton Canyon should be a nature preserve."

Lloyd said the suit was designed to ensure that the public and officials are provided with what the law requires: "an impartial, true and complete analysis of the facts regarding the extent of the degradation of the environment which any alternative and, in particular, the Caltrans/FHWA Hatton Canyon freeway proposal will entail."

A lawyer, Lloyd said the lawsuit would not "necessarily kill" the project although it would call it "into serious question."

Noting that the city has never gone on record as opposed to any road in Hatton Canyon, Grace said, "It has gone on record for widening Highway 1."

Departing from a written statement, she said she had written about 25 letters over the past four years about the freeway project and, the result was "we've virtually been shined off."

Though a lawsuit has been talked about by Lloyd and others publicly for several months, he said, "We haven't even had the courtesy of any kind of feeler from Caltrans."

Grace said the City Council also had "received silence" from Caltrans despite having presented it with several alternatives

"to this massive concrete edifice, including the split-route alternative, and and/or widening of Highway 1."

"Instead of reason, we have been confronted with a process and documents which were biased and used merely to justify what the engineers who live in San Luis Obispo County and Sacramento believe is best for us."

"The process has been so biased," Grace charged "that the responses to the Final Environmental Impact Statement submitted in November, were completely ignored, as demonstrated by the fact that the Federal Highway Administration issued its record of decision only two days after the public responses arrived."

"We have now discovered that Caltrans certified the FEIS on Oct. 8, three days before the FEIS was circulated to the public for comment. Over 500 written comments were received in response to the FEIS, yet Caltrans had already certified the text. The Federal Highway Administration certified it just two days after receiving those 500 comments. Is this an open and public process?"

The mayor said the actions of the public agencies in accepting the document were based upon information that is now almost six years old.

Asked if she thought it should take another six years to redo, Grace said, "Whatever it takes."

Grace read a letter from Fourth District

Freeway Suit Raises Questions

The expenditure of public funds by the City of Carmel and the Monterey Regional Parks District to sue the federal and state government over the Hatton Canyon Freeway has raised questions about the use of public funds for such a purpose.

William Thies, a Carmel resident who favors construction of the controversial freeway, wrote County Counsel Douglas Holland Jan. 4 asking his opinion "as to whether or not it is within the charter of these agencies to allocate public funds for this type of action."

Noting that the two governmental units had allocated \$10,000 each to pay legal expenses for a lawsuit to stop construction of the freeway, Thies said, "Both of these agencies voted to spend the taxpayers money in executive session without any public input."

Mayor Jean Grace and Parks District Chairman Zad Leavy told a news conference last week that the City Council and the park board had each voted in executive session to take the action.

The intent of the Brown Act states that public governmental units take their actions "openly and that their deliberations be conducted openly...The people insist on remaining informed so that they may retain control over the instruments they have created."

Closed sessions are permitted in a few specific instances, including the discussion of whether to initiate litigation "based on existing facts and circumstances." Closed sessions may only be held during regular sessions of the governmental body.

Olaf Dahlstrand, chairman of Voice of Carmel, a group formed to bring local issues to public attention, said it had never polled people on the issue of the freeway or a lawsuit.

"I'm not sure the Carmel City Council isn't chasing the will o' the wisp on this," he said. "It's like the early 80's when the city was suing everybody...There's the whole question, too, of expending public funds."

Councilwoman Barbara Brooks, chair of the Consortium which filed the suit, said it was mandated by the city's General Plan which calls for widening Highway 1 not building Hatton Canyon Freeway.

Dahlstrand described this as "a case of 'these are the opinions on which I base my facts.' The General Plan made no mention of widening Highway 1 until the City Council changed it."

Supervisor Sam Karas supporting the lawsuit which said, in part, "Let us remind everyone that the lawsuit does not intend to choose sides on this matter. Rather, it will clearly reveal that 'due process of law' was

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Coastal Commission Says Caltrans Study of Carmel Streets Inadequate

Assistant Director David Loomis of the California Coastal Commission advised Caltrans that its study of tourist traffic in Carmel in the final EIS/EIR on the Hatton Canyon Freeway is inadequate because it failed to respond to the city's concerns.

The "Residential Street Protection Study" was attacked during a City Council meeting last year as being inadequate and improperly prepared.

Loomis wrote Caltrans District Director Tom Pollock after the agency advised the commission that it did not intend to submit a compliance document at the present time.

Loomis agreed with Pollock "that local concurrence is not needed for commission approval," but said the study was inadequate and needed to be revised.

"This study requirement was based on a concern by the city that the proposed off-

ramp traffic pattern would place tourist traffic on Carpenter Street rather than Ocean Avenue," he said. "Your study was not designed to address this concern. Your study simply concluded that there will be less traffic on Carpenter and other residential streets as a result of vehicles using the new freeway."

"This may very well be true," Loomis allowed. "However, some amount of traffic will still be exiting the freeway onto local streets and will be traveling on local streets to enter the freeway or in lieu of being able to use the freeway. The commission-required study should determine these travel patterns and quantify the traffic involved."

Loomis told Pollock the results should be compared to the current street configurations and city preferences.

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LAURIE LAUDERDALE, a Carmel parking officer, fastens her new helmet which she must wear while driving her enclosed scooter. The scooters come under the motorcycle classification, and drivers are subject to the new state helmet law.

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Meter Maids Don't Like Helmet Law

It's the law but the Carmel meter maids don't like it. On Jan. 1 a state law went into affect which requires motorcycle riders to wear a helmet.

And although it may not look like a motorcycle, the three-wheeled, enclosed scooter-type vehicle driven by Carmel parking officers falls under the definition of a motorcycle, according to Police Chief John McGilvray.

McGilvray said at top speed the scooters could buzz along at 35 to 38 miles per hour—if they were on a level road. They all have seat belts. And now their drivers will all be wearing protective helmets.

Carmel has five officers—three women and two men—who ticket cars that linger too long in the 30 minute, one hour or two hour parking zones.

Under the state vehicle code, a motorcycle is any vehicle having three or less wheels and which weighs under 1,500 pounds.

McGilvray said the parking officers' vehicles which have three wheels and weigh 1,300 pounds fit the description.

Carmel police officers make their rounds daily around Carmel in these vehicles,

marking car tires with chalk and ticketing illegally parked vehicles.

Laurie Lauderdale, attractive, 27-year old blond who has worked as a parking officer for two years for the department and prior to that for five years in Monterey and Pacific Grove, said she has been taking off her helmet every time she gets out of her vehicle.

"It's uncomfortable. It's heavy," she said. "It feels awkward."

She pointed to black marks on top of her new helmet. "I hit it on the top when I get out. I really have to duck."

When asked if she thought a fellow officer would give her a ticket if she drove around town without wearing it, she replied, "I wouldn't put them in that position. It's required, so I'll wear it."

Lauderdale likes her job, as she likes to be outside but sometimes people yell at her when they find her ticketing their cars. "They can get pretty mean, I'll tell you."

"But sometimes you give them a ticket, and they'll still smile at you," she laughed. "Sometimes I really feel bad writing out a ticket for the nice people."

CRA Files as Political Group

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us who wrote the letter." Just entering its sixth year, the CRA has become a powerful force in the politics of Carmel-by-the-Sea. It took a vigorous part in last year's long-running fight over limiting house sizes, issuing a newsletter that aroused the ire of opponents and apparently sparked the complaint to the state.

Holliday said the CRA spent more than \$1,000 to put out an edition of its newsletter, Village Watch, devoted solely to its campaign against a ballot measure on the Floor Area Ratio (FAR) limiting house sizes to 1,400 square feet. This, apparently, was what led to the official complaint.

A deadlocked City Council voted 3-2 to pass the smaller house size and then approved a special election at which voters rejected the measure, thereby allowing a 1,600 square foot size FAR to remain in effect.

"For five full years we've been serving the community," Holliday said. "We have a Citizen of the Year Award, Business Awards, public meetings on issues, candidate nights... We think we're a loyal opposition."

"It's remarkable to me that because the CRA finds itself in disagreement with the mayor, or Eastwood or Nieman, that we therefore are negative. All we're doing is

sticking by the positions we've held for five years."

He referred to Mayor Jean Grace, former Mayor Clint Eastwood and Howard Nieman, a former president of the CRA who broke with the group.

"It is of vital value to the public to realize that one of the richest parts of this community is the voluntary joining together of citizens to oppose certain actions that they felt concerned about," Holliday said.

There are three or four historical antecedents to the CRA, according to the president. "In that rich tradition we have now been active longer than any other," he said. "We are looked upon as having some influence. We're not some aberration. We're not out of sync or out of tradition. We're protecting the pattern of life."

Holliday said the CRA verifies its membership annually by mailing out postcards to inquire if people still want to belong. He said dues are not a requirement of membership but contributions from members and members of the board of directors are its main source of income.

The annual election of officers by the board and addition of new members to the board was slowed this year, he explained, when some people proposed for the board "demurred and we asked some other people."

Council Has Record Short Session

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used public park, suggesting instead that the area would be better utilized converted to one-hour parking with two 30-minute spaces, one at each end.

Fischer agreed and the council voted in favor of the parking limit change despite complaints that some residents used the area for parking because it was generally empty. Because of a six-month trial during which one-hour spaces have been extended to two hours in the area between Sixth and Seventh Avenues, excluding Ocean Avenue, and between Junipero and Monte Verde, the space actually will be available for two-hour parking until June.

The council went along with the mayor's request to approve a resolution supporting a state initiative prohibiting fees for day use of California coastal parks and beaches. But Councilmen White and Jim Wright both

said they disliked the idea of the council taking positions on such initiatives.

"I think maybe it's time we did become involved," Fischer said. "We can't stick our head in the sand. I'm not going to sit here and be quiet."

"This council doesn't have a history of being quiet," quipped White. "But it might be that the community doesn't necessarily agree with positions we are taking." He said if the council wanted to endorse various initiatives, it should hold public hearings and look more closely at the issues.

Although he went along with the resolution, White said he personally did not differentiate between beaches and other state parks such as in the Sierras which are now charging fees.

"We shouldn't allow State Parks to balance their budget on the beaches," Grace said.

Hatton Canyon Suit Filed

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not followed."

Kelly said reducing dependence on the automobile is a national objective of the Sierra Club and he was particularly bothered by Caltrans' failure to consider mass transit as "one partial way" to cope with the Highway 1 congestion.

"Certainly a credible study would weigh the growing threat of global warming, the alarmingly rapid depletion of our oil reserves, and the measurements made by the Air Pollution Control District," he said. "They show that autos are responsible for over one-quarter of the nitric oxide pollutants in our county."

The suit, filed by the San Francisco environmental law firm of Shute, Mihaly and Weinberger, stressed that the purpose and need for the freeway, a major local controversy over the past 40 years, had not been adequately addressed in the EIS/EIR.

"Although the only justification for the freeway project appears to be achievement of Level of Service (LOS) C, neither the Monterey County Transportation Commission nor the Regional Transportation Plan imposed a LOS C requirement," it said.

In addition, the plaintiffs argued

that the recently formed Monterey County Congestion Management Agency in its draft Congestion Management Plan does not impose a requirement of LOS C. Even if LOS C were a requirement, they added that construction of the freeway would only result in a short stretch of LOS C roadway "sandwiched on both sides by LOS E conditions on Highway 1."

Among recent conditions not addressed in the final document, according to the complaint, were:

- Official approval of the closing of Fort Ord which will cut the area's population by more than 40,000 people in the next few years.

- The past five years of severe drought which has reduced anticipated development in the area and which may render proposed wetlands and habitat mitigation measures infeasible.

- The Congestion Management Agency's rejection of the LOS C requirement and its statement that it did not intend its draft plan "to serve as the justification or trigger for construction of the proposed Hatton Canyon Freeway."

- The stream that runs through Hatton Canyon has kept running throughout the drought years.

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Strasser Kauffman Assumes Chair of County Supervisors

Carmel Valley's Karin Strasser Kauffman took over as chair of the County Board of Supervisors Tuesday, announcing her priorities are growth management and regional government.

The fifth district supervisor also called for restructuring of County government with the power of hiring and firing being turned over to Chief Administrative Officer Ernest Morishita by the five-member board.

"These are difficult times for local government," she said in opening remarks after taking the gavel from outgoing chair Sam Karas of the fourth district. She painted a picture of "gloomy finances and very real human suffering."

She said the County needs an accurate assessment of its population growth and needs to deal with "the explosion of needs. Monterey County can not meet all the needs on its own."

Strasser Kauffman cheerfully worked her way through the council chambers greeting constituents after assuring them from the dais that she was ready to tackle problems.

"It's our opportunity to prove to our public they have hired a good decision mak-

ing body," she said.

Karas received an "Oscar" from Second District Supervisor Barbara Shipnuck. A local actor, he has been kidded by his fellow supervisors for taking a bit role in Clint Eastwood's most recent film.

In thanking Karas for his leadership, Shipnuck said "In your jeans and yellow sweater you brightened many a day. You played the comedian but not the clown."

First District Supervisor Marc Del Piero was unanimously elected to serve as vice chairman succeeding Strasser Kauffman. The board rotates its positions annually.

Strasser Kauffman said she doesn't expect the supervisors to make budget decisions with consensus. "There's simply not enough to go around. There will be tough decisions and we will be arguing them out."

Monterey County has done a good job compared with other counties in budgeting, according to Strasser Kauffman who said the County faces drug problems with drug related arrests increasing by 46 percent. The number of juvenile drug arrests has



SUPERVISOR KARIN STRASSER KAUFFMAN of Carmel Valley greets a well-wisher Tuesday as she assumed the chair of the Board of Supervisors.

Sun photo by Carolyn Rice

increased by 121 percent, she said.

Another problem area for the County is the estimated 1,300 to 2,200 homeless people, two-thirds of whom have drug or alcohol related problems, she added.

Noting that not all solutions demand

increased spending, she said the Public Works Department will implement an Adopt-a-Road program in a couple of weeks so individuals or groups can adopt two mile segments of the over 1,200 miles of road in Monterey County and tend it for two years.

Monastery Beach Parking Lot Opponents Win Over Supervisors

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The sisters of Notre Dame who live at the Carmelite Monastery across from the beach sent in two pages of signatures, he said.

Molly Erickson of Carmel's Planning Department presented a plan which she said would provide 62 spaces on the shoulder of Highway 1 for a cost of just \$60,000. That is more space than a lot in the eucalyptus grove would provide, she said, and much less costly than the lot proposed by the State Parks Department.

The shoulder plan presented by the city calls for access pathways to the beach defined by boulders and a public transit bus stop "which opens up the beach to a group which currently doesn't have access," Erickson said.

After the supervisors' meeting, an exuberant Erickson went to the Carmel City Council and won applause when she reported that opponents of the parking lot had won unanimous support of the board for their plan. Mayor Jean Grace said she thought it significant that Supervisor Karin Strasser Kauffman had made the motion to seek a delay. Strasser Kauffman had consulted with the Parks Department while it was developing its plan for a 60-car lot in the eucalyptus grove.

That plan was developed after County supervisors had turned down a previous Parks Department plan to put lots at each end of the beach. After that rejection, the Coastal Commission assumed jurisdiction over the dispute on an appeal to it.

At the supervisors' meeting, Gates said that boulders within 30 feet of the highway as proposed by the Carmel plan are considered hazardous by Caltrans. He also said the pedestrian trail could not be as close to the highway as Carmel proposed. "Caltrans guidelines do not permit what this plan shows," he said.

Gates said his agency's main concern at the beach is safety. All its plans call for cars to park in a concentrated area so that obvious signs could be easily posted telling people "what risks might be."

He said that 20 drownings have occurred at the beach since 1978. Of those, nine were scuba divers, eight were people walking or wading on the beach, two were suicides and one was a person whose actions prior to drowning were unknown. "It's a very, very, very high rate of drownings for such a small beach line," he said.

He said he feared that shoulder parking would not funnel people past warning

signs. "A few people may use those paths but others will just stream across as they do now," he said.

"I think it's obvious and profound that the public is not satisfied with what we are proposing," Gates said. But in view of the safety considerations, Gates said, "We can not in good conscience withdraw from the stance we have taken."

Gates also said in answers to questions by Third District Supervisor Tom Perkins that a project similar to the Carmel shoulder parking plan could meet Caltrans guidelines. He suggested a chain link fence "you can see through" could funnel people to entrances to the beach.

Fourth District Supervisor Sam Karas proposed that the \$60,000 highway parking plan be pursued and the State Parks use the money they save to keep parks that have recently been closed open. But Gates said funds for the parking lots come from a bond act and can not be switched to operating budgets.

Perkins said he was concerned about the damage to historic Bay School if the eucalyptus windbreak were removed.

Superintendent Vance Baldwin of Carmel schools told the supervisors he personally felt that a parking lot immediately behind the little red schoolhouse would "spell the demise of Bay School." The school was built in 1869.

Howard Skidmore of Carmel, supported the Carmel city plan on behalf of both the Carmel Residents Association and the Friends of Carmel Forest. Noting the eucalyptus had been planted by early settlers for windbreaks, he said, "Those kids will suffer if the trees are removed."

Strasser Kauffman said if drownings continue at the same rate the beach will have to be made off-limits to public access. But Perkins said divers understand the risk they are taking. "On occasion, they get into trouble."

Clay Phipps, a diver and board member of the Central California Diving Council, told the Sun if the beach were closed to diving, "We have a legal access fund. We'll sue them. The diving community would become very generous trying to undo that," he said.

The parking plan presented by Erickson also called for an auxiliary lot capable of holding 20 cars on decomposed granite at the south end of the beach. It would be used only on busy weekend days when divers stream to the beach.



NUNS FROM THE CARMELITE MONASTERY, above, for which Monastery Beach is named signed petitions opposing construction of a parking lot at the beach. Recent heavy rains caused San José Creek directly south of the monastery to flow under Highway 1 to the beach, below, where water pooled on the beach beside the roadway.

Sun photos by Isabelle Hall



Seeking Bargains, Park District Will Wait on Point Lobos Purchase Plan

Directors of the regional park district, told other property may become available at bargain prices, decided Monday night to delay entering a long-term agreement to try to purchase Point Lobos Ranch to keep it from being developed.

At issue was a memorandum of understanding drawn up by the State Parks Department calling for the two agencies jointly to use \$1.5 million available annually from Proposition 117 to buy the 1,700 acres immediately east of Point Lobos State Reserve, two miles south of Carmel.

Prop 117, approved by state voters in 1990, specifically set aside \$1.5 million a year for 30 years to buy lion habitat in the Santa Lucia mountains. The initiative is popularly known as the mountain lion habitat proposition.

Directors decided not to sign the memorandum immediately when outgoing board president Zad Leavy noted that with the recession, some properties were depreciating, creating the possibility that the park district might be able to buy other parcels at bargain prices.

"We may be sorry (we signed the agreement) if we then have some good opportunities for purchases near Garland Park," Leavy said.

He urged his colleagues to delay a decision on the memorandum until the board had a chance to discuss its "117 priorities." He asked General Manager Gary Tate if such a discussion would be possible by the board's February or March meeting.

Tate said that at least by March, the district should have an appraisal on the 80-acre Veeder Ranch near Garland Park and an assessment of how willing its owner and owners of other prospective acquisition targets might be in selling.

The owners of Point Lobos Ranch have indicated they would be willing to sell the property to preservation interests, suggesting they wanted roughly its appraised tax valuation, about \$24 million.

In the meantime, they have proceeded with plans for 120 housing units and a lodge with 240 units on 66 acres of the site. The Big Sur Land Trust contributed \$25,000 to pay for an assessment of Point Lobos Ranch which Tate said was presently being done.

Leavy noted that even with the state and local park agencies working together, the purchase of the property would require funding beyond what is provided by Prop 117.

Dina Stansbury, who replaced Leavy as president for 1992 at the meeting, asked if the memorandum would require spending "all or nothing for Point Lobos" from the \$1.5 million annual payment.

Tate said the agreement called for using the total Santa Lucia allocation, but he suggested the State Parks Department probably would be flexible on the details.

After the session, Tate told the *Sun* that the discussions between the two agencies had centered on an eight to ten year agreement with all the Santa Lucia funds going toward the purchase of Point Lobos Ranch during that time. The time-frame was not specified in the memorandum.

Tate also said after the meeting that all of the 1,700 acres contained in Point Lobos Ranch might not comply with requirements spelled out in Proposition 117 for the kinds of lands to be acquired with those funds. "For example, the broad plain where they're

proposing the development might not qualify," he said.

In the end, the directors took no formal vote but did not disagree when Leavy said: "Then the consensus is to send a letter to the state" asking for time to allow the park district to review other Prop 117 options.

Board member Robert Griffin asked Tate, "Is this a high priority with the state?"

"Yes," Tate replied, "But I think there will be some flexibility on timing. It's (the agreement) been floating around for a number of months."

In other business, the board:

- Announced that it had voted unanimously at a closed session Dec. 18 to join a lawsuit challenging the environmental impact report for the proposed Hutton Canyon Freeway around Carmel. "The board authorized an initial \$10,000 towards litigation costs," said an announcement of the action signed by Tate. But it did not say how much additional the park district would be willing to pay, if anything.

- Heard that its application for a use permit for Garland Park in Carmel Valley would be heard by the County Planning Commission Feb. 12. The permit specifies the uses of the Cooper Ranch addition to Garland Park and also details the establishment of a trail along the river to allow youngsters who live in the Robles area of the Village to be able to reach the Little League park more directly.

"I'm going to ask my annual question," said Stansbury, "will we get it through before the baseball season?"

Tate said he didn't know, noting that the permit probably would have conditions attached and it was impossible to predict the nature of them or how long it would take to meet them.

- Elected new officers for 1992, including Stansbury as president, Sean Flavin as vice president and Griffin as secretary-treasurer.

In stepping down, Leavy expressed disappointment that the park district had not completed a proposed benefit assessment district that he had championed to help raise additional money for open space acquisitions. He said he still would like to proceed when the law governing such districts is clarified.

Leavy had maintained that the district could have been created even without the vote of residents in it, creating bitter opposition from some residents who maintained it must be approved by a two-thirds vote under Proposition 13.

CPR Class Canceled

A Jan. 11 training session for Cachagua residents in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and first aid has been cancelled, Kay Grant announced.

Grant, an American Red Cross representative for the area, urged people to call her at 659-3687 if they are interested in such classes in the future so they can be put on a mailing list. The all-day class was to have been held at the AT&T Earth Station.

SPCA Holds Volunteer Sessions

The SPCA of Monterey County will hold an orientation for new volunteers from 10 a.m. to 12 noon Jan. 25 at the George Whittell Education Center on the SPCA grounds on Highway 68.



SHERIFF SEARCH AND RESCUE team members Monday night belayed down a steep cliff at Fuller's Beach south of Big Sur to rescue four people from the East Coast. Deputy Fred DeLasantos and Doug Campbell from the volunteer team operated the wench which let out the steel cable used by rescuers to climb about 200 feet down the cliff.

Four Rescued from Big Sur Cliff

Four salespeople for a New York publishing company were rescued Monday night after being trapped for four hours in darkness on a cliff 150 feet above Fuller's Beach eight miles south of Big Sur.

The Sheriff's Department and Volunteer Sheriffs Search and Rescue team belayed about 200 feet down the cliff to reach them after the tide came in and cut off the beach route the group used to hike into the area just before nightfall.

April Eckman, 27, from Massachusetts, John Durbin, 25, from Colorado, Jean Yelovich, 23, from Pennsylvania, and Robert Narrington, 37, from New Jersey, were reported missing by the chairman of their company who was waiting for them to return to Highway 1. The group had been attending a company business meeting at Carmel Valley Ranch when they set out to see some of the surrounding area.

Doug Steiny, team leader for the volunteer rescue team, said the hikers had gotten themselves to a point on the cliff where they couldn't go up or down. He said they were stranded for four hours about 150 feet up on a 300 to 350 foot cliff.

One of the women was hit in the head by a falling rock but was not seriously injured, he said. "The girls were literally

hanging on bushes," Steiny said. "They were shaking like leaves."

He said they told him, "We feel so stupid. We always see things like this on 911," a television show.

But Steiny said they "definitely did the right thing" by not trying to advance any further. He said there might have been a fatality had they tried to climb on up the cliff.

Deputy Jess Mason, incident commander, and volunteer rescue team members Steiny, Andy Briant, Tony Lombardo, Tom Ewen, and Doug Campbell all assisted with the rescue which took place between 9 and 11 p.m.

The volunteer rescue team was formed 18 months ago and has 11 members. The group is certified in cliff rescues, search and rescue theory, traffic control, evacuations, rapid extrication and communications.

Steiny said last Sunday the group hiked nine miles into Blue Mountain which is behind the Los Padres Dam after a jogger reported seeing three lights, the international distress signal. That 12 hour hike failed to turn up anyone in distress. "It may have been hunters," Steiny said. "About 50 percent of our calls are false alarms."



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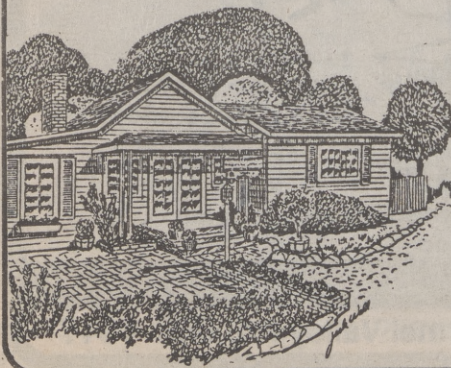
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CLAUDE LARSON BARBECUES at the Carmel Foundation. Larson said the barbecued hamburgers and salmon are two of the most popular meals he serves.

Carmel Foundation is a Good N

By Carolyn Rice

Started in 1950 as an "adventure in neighborliness," the Carmel Foundation today boasts of more than 4,000 over-55 members and a variety of programs and services which offer something for nearly everyone.

"I think it's one of the best acts in Carmel," said Fran Vorhes, a supporter who lives in Mid Valley. "All of Carmel is not rich. A lot of people are having a tough time getting by. There are also a lot of lonely people."

The foundation provides an array of programs and services which meet those kinds of needs for seniors. It also holds enrichment and educational classes and activities and conducts out-of-town trips for its members. It even has a small number of low-cost rental units and serves what members describe as a smashing low-cost lunch four days a week.

And in its annual theatrical revue last April at Sunset Center, Foundation members attracted 800 people to their six performances of "Super Chief."

An Organization "for Everybody"

Board member Rosemary Blackstone said the foundation "is not for low income or high income (people). It's for everybody."

"It wouldn't be unusual to see 250 members on a day," said John Freitas who has been the executive director for five and one-half years. Some people come two or three times a week to the three residential-like buildings on Lincoln and Eighth, while others stop in only occasionally for special programs or classes.

Freitas, who formerly worked for an in-home care agency, describes the foundation's numerous programs and activities as "unique on the Central Coast." He said he knows of no other area organization offering as extensive a variety of programs as the foundation.

The late Jane Egan Trevvett envisioned the organization and in 1948 began holding two years of meetings in her Scenic Road home to organize it. In 1950, her vision of an "adventure in neighborliness" got underway.

Little is known about Trevvett beyond the fact that she wanted to put together an organization that would help the elderly with little or no income. The group was incorporated in 1950, apparently without any funds to speak of.

Forty-two years later, it has evolved into an organization which has something to offer for almost everyone. Its membership attests to its popularity—it has almost as many members as Carmel has residents. They come from all over the Monterey Peninsula and as far away as Salinas.

They can choose from 40 class offerings. In addition to the foundation's lunch and trips, they can also call on the foundation for transportation help, for referrals for household help and even cash grants for relief care for a chronically ill family member.

Volunteers Are The Backbone

"The success of the Foundation is greatly due to volunteerism," Freitas said. "That's what makes the place tick in so many ways."

Virginia Eveland said she volunteers at the front desk one morning a week, joining a cadre of 300 volunteers who set tables, arrange flowers, deliver weekend meals, fold newsletters and do just about every other

job needed to keep the organization running.

Freitas said volunteers drive a foundation station wagon to transport members who live in the Carmel area for grocery shopping or doctors appointment. Members can also ride the foundation van for \$1 a trip.

Blackstone said the amazing thing about the organization to her is that no government funds support its \$1 million annual budget.

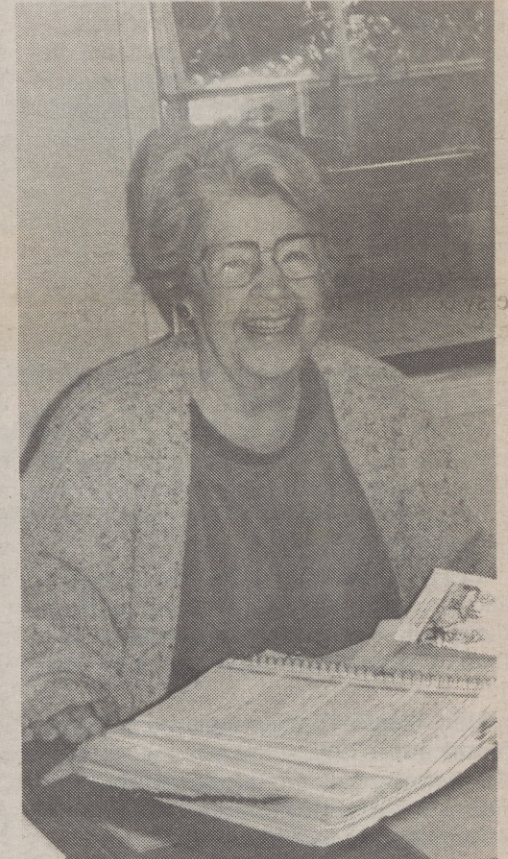
The only connection with government is that the City of Carmel leases the land where the foundation's low-rent Norton Court apartments are located for \$1 a year, Freitas said. The three low income housing units—Trevvett Court, Haseltine Court and Norton Court—are all located within a block of the Carmel Post Office. Together, they have 48 units.

Pay \$25 A Year on Average

The organization is "financially extremely healthy," Blackstone said but quickly added, "although we can always use more money."

Membership dues just increased from \$10 to \$15 a year. Members who can are asked to give more for their membership, and the average amount contributed is \$25, Blackstone said. "But no one turns up their nose at you if you can't pay more." The board looks for \$100,000 in membership renewals this year, she said.

About 37 percent of the organization's



VIRGINIA EVELAND volunteers for the Foundation along with 300 others.

revenue comes from rents paid for the low-cost housing, according to Freitas. Bequests and general donations account for 13 percent. About 28 percent of the budget comes from interest earned on endowments, with 12 percent coming from restricted endowment funds, Freitas said.

Blackstone said a recent emphasis of the organization has been on providing services to help keep seniors in their own homes. One of them is "Checks and Balances," a new program in which volunteers help members "organize their desks," Blackstone



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said. Six volunteers currently work with members who need some help paying bills or figuring their taxes, Blackstone said.

Keeping Seniors in Their Homes

"Nobody wants to go to a nursing home," she said. "We're looking at services which help people stay in their own homes."

About 155 members show up for lunch each week day except for Wednesday. On that day, the foundation does not serve lunch, but offers a program by specialists in travel, art and music and serves tea afterwards.

"We're the best lunch in town," said Chef Claude Larson unabashedly. Foundation members who talked to the *Sun* couldn't agree more.

Bill Long, a retired certified public accountant and a Carmel resident for 10 years, said he "would recommend the lunch to anyone." His wife was attending a class at the foundation on a recent morning while he read a newspaper in the attractive, homey library.

Gerry Cook, a Pacific Grove resident, was also reading in the library before setting tables for lunch. "We have the best chefs. They are just great," she said of Larson and his wife, Elizabeth, who cook at the foundation each weekday except for Wednesday, when no meal is served.

Favorite Lunches Win Raves

From the sunny patio where he was barbecuing hamburgers, Larson said, "Barbecued hamburgers and salmon are two of the most popular meals we serve."

A monthly menu goes out in the foundation's newsletter, and members can buy a \$10 or \$20 ticket book which they can use to pay for a \$1 bowl of soup, a \$.50 cup of soup, a \$1.50 half an entree or a \$2.25 large entree. Members do not have to have reservations for lunch.

Homemade desserts cost \$.75, and among the sweet treats for December were apple pie, bread pudding, Belgian chocolate cream pie, carrot cake, and pecan pie.

"I make homemade bread every day," Mrs. Larson said. She also puts together the desserts from scratch. On this day, cinnamon and peach smells wafted from huge peach cobbles sitting on the counter.

For some of the seniors who eat at the foundation, lunch is their main meal of the day. "We make everything with fresh ingredients," Mrs. Larson said, adding she makes sure the meals are balanced and low in fat.

Little Food Is Wasted

Asked what they do with the leftovers if the expected crowd doesn't show up, Mrs. Larson said they use the vegetables the next day for soup and put the main entrees, vegetables and desserts in containers to freeze for weekend delivery to homebound people.

Meals on Wheels does not make weekend deliveries so the foundation has volunteers

who cover for that program.

"Very little goes to waste," Mrs. Larson said.

On a recent day, one room had about a dozen people taking part in a French class while across the hall about five women were sewing under the tutelage of a Carmel Adult School instructor.

The foundation's classes include languages, painting, literature, woodcarving, sewing, and photography. They also explore the stock market, updates about Russia and a variety of other subjects.

Carmel Foundation Creed

The Carmel Foundation functions with the spirit and concern of a good and thoughtful neighbor.

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Leave The Driving to Others

Bus trips scheduled for foundation members during December and January included a San Francisco shopping tour, lunch at the Palace Hotel in San Francisco, the City of Angels musical, the San Francisco Symphony and American Ballet Theatre. Others trips during the year were to the De Young Museum in San Francisco, the Disney on Ice show at the Oakland Coliseum, Watsonville Apple Orchard and a tour of Sunset Magazine plus a number of other trips.

Jane Holmes, tour services coordinator for the foundation, reported 1,712 members went on 40 tours last year.

"It's a great way to go," said Kay Mitchell who has gone on about 110 foundation bus trips with her husband in the last five years. "You're dropped off, picked up and can just relax while the driver worries about traffic."

Members help raise money for foundation programs through book sales, bazaar sales, and plant sales, Freitas said. The garden group works in the foundation greenhouse and raises plants for sale to the public. Similarly, knit and handmade items made by members are offered for sale in the main entrance.

Foundation's 1991 in Review

2,385 transportation trips provided
29,190 lunches served
3,843 attended Saturday open house
1,403 attended Sunday open house
1,200 received flu shots
2,718 meals delivered to homebound



TAKING ADVANTAGE OF CREATED SPACE, Elizabeth Larson uses a table placed over a Foundation car for additional kitchen storage space.

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Floribunda Roses Offer Advantages

By Mark Eaton

For gardeners, it's time to be thinking of bare root roses.

With the wonderful rain storms we recently have experienced, this is one of my favorite times of the year in the nursery business. Roses and fruit trees, two vast and complex subjects, are the hot topics right now.

I was thinking the other day that one could write a column concerning roses literally every week of the year as it is such a broad subject. An avid rosarian can discuss roses until the wee hours of the morning in much the same way that ardent baseball fans can argue about which is the greatest team of all time.

When gardeners visit a nursery or leaf through a catalog shopping for roses, it is essential to understand the category or class of rose they are looking at. Perhaps the most misunderstood class of modern roses in the floribunda.

The floribunda came about as a result of crossing two categories of roses. One of them is polyantha, which is a low-growing, continually blooming bush with many clusters of small flowers. Two popular examples of it are the salmon-orange "Margo Koster" and the soft pink "The Fairy."

Plants of this type, when crossed with large flowered hybrid teas gave birth to a whole new race of roses. The leaders in this type of breeding, which first hit its stride in the 1940s, were the Poulsen family of Denmark and the great Jackson & Perkins hybridizer, Gene Boerner.

The result of these efforts is a phenomenal group of roses, lower and bushier growing than hybrid teas, but with some spectacular plants showing flowers in the best hybrid tea form. The drawbacks of the floribundas are that for the most part

the flowers are not as large as hybrid teas and don't have as much fragrance overall.

The advantages outweigh the drawbacks; varieties in this class flower almost continually through the season, whereas hybrid teas bloom in flushes. The quality of the flowers is outstanding, too, floribundas generally providing a greater mass of color than hybrid teas.

Floribundas are useful as landscape plants or as low borders or hedges, the height ranging from an average of two to four feet without so many obviously bare stems underneath.

I will recommend a few varieties for you to try, and I assure that you won't be disappointed.

"Amber Queen" —A neat and compact dark-leaved bush with fairly large amber yellow flowers with good fragrance. Disease resistant.

"Apricot Nectar" —Large flower clusters of creamy apricot hybrid tealike blooms, each up to four inches across. Vigorous and disease resistant.

"First Edition" —Medium sized, luminous coral-orange flowers of mild fragrance with disease resistant foliage.

"French Lace" —This has to be one of the finest of all modern roses. Flowers are of exhibition quality, very pale pastel apricot to creamy off-white. Disease resistant.

"Iceberg" —Considered one of the world's 10 best roses, with prolific clusters of white, barely blushed with pink. It's only drawback is a tendency to mildew.

"Sunflare" —My personal favorite, it has scads of three-inch-wide, lemon yellow blossoms that are somewhat fragrant. Dark green, holly-like foliage that is extremely disease resistant.

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Mark Eaton is a partner in Carmel Valley's Begonia Gardens Nursery



PICKING UP DISCARDED CHRISTMAS TREES for recycling by the Forest and Beach Department are Barbara Livingston and Noel Van Bibber. Friends of Carmel Forest worked with the department to collect 75 trees for delivery to Mission Trails Park where they were chopped up for mulch. Livingston, president of the Friends, said the collaborative effort was a successful first year effort.

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OUT AND ABOUT

By Stan Hall

I have a riddle for you today. It goes like this: When is a tax not a tax?

If you live in California in the post-Proposition 13 era, one answer is when it's a special benefit assessment. You have to be an especially smart person to tell the difference, I'll tell you that. But there are lots of benefit assessments around here.

They're added to your tax bill, they're collected by the tax collector, they'll become a tax lien on your property if you don't pay them, but they aren't really taxes, you know.

At least the people who impose them maintain they're not taxes. In their eyes, they're not taxes because they provide those of us who pay them a special benefit we wouldn't have without them.

I'm not smart enough to figure out exactly how that differs from plain old taxes and the government services they provide. But I do know that it's the lawyers, politicians and bureaucrats who are best able to make the distinction between a new tax (shudder) and a plain, old benign benefit assessment.

I met a lawyer the other day who could immediately spot the difference between a benefit assessment and a special tax at 200 paces—and with both of them on the wing at that. I wish I had had an eye that good when I used to hunt quail.

Another answer to the riddle of when is a tax not a tax is when it's for a Public Repair and Improvement Authority. The Board of Supervisors created one in 1989 when it wanted to raise \$355 million for public works that regular County revenue wouldn't cover.

Nobody in authority at the County—least of all, the supervisors—ever dared breathe that awful T-word in discussing the one-half cent sales levy increase they asked voters to approve as Measure B.

In the case of Measure B, those who want to impose it argue that since it's not really a tax, it doesn't have to be approved by a two-thirds majority of all voters under the state's Proposition 13 and other tax limitation measures.

It is all a bunch of semantic and intellectual silliness. And it is liable to give California a bad name with the rest of the country which already thinks of us as the land of the fruits and nuts.

The way we're going, the next thing you know, Californians could become known as elongated, yellow tropical fruits.

That label is an affliction—a syndrome—that often affects beginning writers. Young writers are usually loathe to use the same word

frequently in their writing. It's like they feel that once they've put a word down on paper, they've used up all the power and punch that it contains. As a result, they'll often come up with contrived, contorted euphemisms to keep from repeating that word.

A story that's common lore in the news business is about a young reporter writing a story about a would-be robber trying to hold up a bank with a banana. Rather than repeat the word ba-

Refusing to say the T-word is semantic silliness.

nana, on a second reference he called it an elongated, yellow, tropical fruit.

Now, there's nothing wrong with good, old fashioned euphemisms. We use them all the time to describe our bodily functions and other unpleasant topics in life—such as death. A lot of people are uncomfortable saying that a loved one has died or is dead, so they say that he passed away or passed on; some old timers, more po-

etic, will say he went to his great reward. Similarly, pet lovers sometimes find it hard to admit that they had their beloved companion killed to keep it from suffering, so they say that had it put down or put to sleep.

Life and death and bananas are one thing, but taxes—well, they're different. They're different in California because the people put restrictions on them in Prop 13 and other initiatives. Those initiatives were clearly designed to make it harder for the politicians to raise people's taxes.

You have to give the politicians credit for being imaginative enough to think they could get away with raising (ugh) taxes as long as they didn't call it that.

But if the politicians think Props 13 and other taxing limitations are too severe, maybe they ought to spend their time convincing the electorate to amend or eliminate them rather than inventing all these euphemisms to keep from saying the T-word.

If they eased the restrictions, they wouldn't spend so much of the limited money that they do have on lawyers and in the courts trying to defend their actions. And they wouldn't risk having people say: "Well, you know about Californians—they're elongated, yellow tropical fruits."

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By Anita DeCarlo

Kira Corser Uses Art for Social Change

I think I'll begin the new year with art reviews of social consciousness, art revealing an awareness by individual artists who have accepted a personal responsibility for the general good, and why not? There's turmoil in the air. History is not passively proceeding these days but passionately galloping, bit in teeth!

Since the time of, and beginning with, Daumier and Goya, about 150 years ago, history has produced artists as social critics in spates usually associated with some particularly painful event. Daumier portrayed the slaughter of innocent people at the hands of the French troops retaliating against striking workers. Goya painted the executions of Spanish protesters to the invasion of Napoleon.

Think of Diego Rivera and all the work in the 1930's pleading the plight of the worker. World War II and the holocaust bred a broad spectrum on man's inhumanity to man. Much of the 1960's pop art was social commentary, a little more subtle.

Paintings, drawings, photos that serve as social commentary or criticism do not always also serve art. Social comment will represent a specific event, a spasm in time. Art seeks a universal statement. It is concerned with permanent values. Art's ultimate statement is general, not specific, even when using specifics as a vehicle for the statement.

Remember the "abstracts" I mention so often, that all art must build on? Shape, color, light, dark. Remember there is a universal aesthetic, it is not a changing fad. A social message that is created as art is enduring whether it is literature, music, drama or art. And, if that message can comfort the wronged and go farther, and right the passage of history, then we have something, don't we?

Photographer Kira Corser, who lives and works now on the Monterey

Peninsula, works with her poet partner, Fran Adler. For 12 years they have been rattling the cages of social consciousness with stark, grab-your-heart photo essays. They have targeted the homeless, the crippled, poverty's effects on mothers and their new born, among other things, and they have had an impact and been directly responsible for some change for the better.

Sen. Lucy Killea, after viewing their "Struggle to be Borne" exhibit, said, "It was that compelling collection of photographs and poems that contributed to my pursuit of legislation aimed at bettering the plight of low-income and uninsured mothers." The same exhibit was said to have inspired KPBS TV in San Diego to broadcast a documentary, "Victims at Birth" which reportedly led some San Diego obstetricians to agree to take on one non-paying or Medi-Cal patient each month.

Dr. Warren S. Feld, associate executive director of the Tennessee Primary Care Association, wrote the artists, "The success of your 'Struggle to be Borne' exhibit is clear evidence that your art can significantly impact the social conscience and policy and program efforts. While the exhibit was displayed...linkages established because of the art enabled a state public health program to be extended to private clinics in isolated rural and inner city areas in the state...The dean of the nurse practitioner program at Vanderbilt University was so moved they decided to assist a struggling clinic stay open by providing management and clinical services."

The point is Kira Corser and Fran Adler's artistic voices are helping to change social conditions. Their art is an effective catalyst by tapping non-traditional art audiences like physicians and legislators. Their three major exhibitions about homelessness, lack of access to prenatal care, and perinatal drug addiction have traveled the country to galleries, state capitol buildings and the U.S. Senate.

I met with Corser in December at the Court house in Salinas where "Struggle to be Borne" was on exhibit. The aesthetic power of these black and white photographs captivates you; the emotional impact of their message brings you to your knees. She has a fast eye for the dramatic in terms of high contrast value and juxtaposition of anomalies, a contrast of conceptual opposites heightened by visually dynamic blacks and whites, patterns and rests.

"Struggle to be Borne" will be hanging at the Women's Center at the University of California, Santa Cruz, until Jan. 23.



"WAKING FROM WORRY" is one of the works included in local photographer Kira Corser's exhibit, "Struggle to be Borne" which is now on display in Santa Cruz.

Corser and Adler will be closing the "Home Street Home" exhibition at UC San Diego, and hopefully bringing it to Monterey. These are important shows to see, not just for the art, but for the message. These shows are bringing into one fold people of many different disciplines, a potentially powerful group for social change.

One of the believers in their work is Jonathan Freedman, a Pulitzer Prize winner who wrote: "What can awaken Americans to the tragedy going on in our midst? Perhaps art will succeed where rational discussion has failed..." "Struggle to be Borne" indicts our society with photographs and poems...not statistics."

Girl Scout Cookies Go On Sale

The annual Girl Scout Cookie Sale starts Saturday in the tri-county area of Monterey, San Benito and Santa Cruz.

Door-to-door orders will be taken through Jan. 26 with the popular cookies delivered Feb. 8 through March 1. The Council says only vegetable shortening is used and no preservatives or artificial colors.

Profits from the cookies, which sell for \$2.50 a box, are used locally for a variety of programs. The sale began in the 1930's when Girl Scouts in Philadelphia first baked cookies to raise money to improve their Girl Scout Camp.

Village Affair Tickets on Sale

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many other items.

One new item in the live auction this year is called Plead Your Cause. It is luncheon with Supervisor Karin Strasser Kauffman at which the winning bidder can tell his pet peeves to the Valley woman who will serve as chair of the Board of Supervisors in 1992.

The silent auction, which will feature 137 different items, will be held inside the lodge itself. Seventeen of the items are paintings or other work by local artists.

Tickets for the Village Affair are \$25 each, \$18 of which is tax deductible. They went on sale this week at several locations, including Carmel Valley Market. Los Laureles Lodge, Carmel Valley Business Service, Valley Lodge, The Weekly Sun, Sweet Retreat and Mailboxes, Etc., at Mid Valley. Tickets will also be available at the door.

Proceeds from the evening, sponsored by the Carmel Valley Village Improvement Committee, will benefit the Village pathway fund. In its first two years, the Village Affair raised some \$40,000 which has been spent building meandering pedestrian pathways throughout the Village.

Funds from this year's affair may also be used to upgrade some of the pathway built earlier to make them easier for handicapped and wheelchair-bound residents to use. Some will also go to maintain landscaping which has been put in as part of the pathway program in the past.

Since the Village is unincorporated, no government agency exists to take on such projects such as beautification and as building pathways. CVVIC, an organization open to anyone with the best interests of the Village at heart, has tried to help fill that void.

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DISCOVERY—THE LIVELY ARTS

BY BARBARA ROSE SHULER

A friend recently called from the bay area to ask me to direct some short scenes to be performed at a fund-raiser taking place in San Francisco this month. Though I was flattered by the request, I replied that I had acted in the past and write now about the performing arts but that I wasn't really a director. My friend responded, "That's all right, we're not really actors." Laughing, I agreed to the challenge. I knew that whatever the outcome of the show the experience would be valuable for all of us. Besides it was all to help a good cause. So, as I embark on my own small adventure in directing, I thought it would be timely to explore the director's art in this column.

As with most cooperative efforts there are many ways of viewing the process of making a play. The lenses of the actor and director are different from each other. Technical people experience production uniquely, differently from, say, choreographers, costumers or stage managers. Each participant is a specialist. The final product is a combination of elements, a creative amalgam that yields yet another essential perspective—that of the audience. The most knowledgeable theater people have hands-on experience in many or all aspects of the craft. And they are often directors. Some of the best directors in our region, for instance, are also fine designers, actors, technicians.

The director is an interpretive artist. She or he takes a script, a cast and crew and brings it to life on stage. Actors and crew help in this vivification, but it is the director who creates the form, the imaginative matrix of the play. The actor, the stage and light are the three fundamental elements the director uses to make a play. Sets, costumes, sound, music and so forth are additional assets which enhance the stage atmosphere but they are not required.

Directing, in this sense, is a relatively modern art form. In fact, the era of the director was ushered in around the turn of the century when theater artists and critics identified an appalling absence of homogeneous values in productions themselves and their appeal to the audience. They insisted that if the play was to retrieve its unique communal power, a director would have to impose a point of view, an interpretation that would permeate the entire performance/audience experience. This call for artistic unity on stage seemed to be a response to the increasing diversity of expression that emerged as society became more urban, industrial and complex.

The first director I asked for advice told me not to worry, to just plunge in and improvise. He informed me that often directors don't know what to do, how to shape a play until they experiment in rehearsal for awhile. Another local director offered a psychological perspective. One is dealing, she said, with a lot of people in a play and a director must be able to interact sensibly and sensitively with all of them as they are critical to the ultimate outcome. An interesting point she made was that one actor represented three separate psychological entities to be considered—the character, the actor working to interpret the character

and the actor as a person.

Another director suggested that you need a great deal of humility to do the job. The director serves as the eyes and ears during rehearsal and production but the instruments are the actors. Respect for their abilities, energy and endurance is essential. However, as the eyes and ears, the director is responsible for making creative decisions that may not be understandable to the performers.

One man kept his directorial secrets to himself saying only that it is important not to direct something you don't like. It always shows, he said. Another person pointed out that directors are teachers. Most of the directors I talked to stressed the importance of respecting the creative ideas of the actors. One even went so far as to say that directors themselves should act from time to time to learn from personal experience about the body, the voice and the challenges of bringing a role to life.

I'll conclude with an eloquent definition of the role of the director taken from an address by a certain Monsieur Porel speaking at the International Theater Congress in 1900. He said the work of the director is:

"...To grasp clearly the author's idea in a manuscript, to explain it patiently and accurately to the hesitant actors, to see the play develop and take shape from minute to minute. To watch over the production down to its slightest details, its stage business, even its silences, which are sometimes as eloquent as the written script. To place the bewildered or awkward supernumeraries where they belong and to train them, to bring together in one cast obscure actors and stars. To harmonize all these voices, all these gestures, all these various movements, all these dissimilar things—in order to achieve the right interpretation of the work entrusted to you.

"Then, having accomplished this and having methodically done all your preliminary studying in the calm of your library, to take charge of the material side of the production. To supervise patiently and accurately the carpenters, scene painters, costumers, upholsters, and electricians.

"Then when this second part of the job is finished, to fuse it with the first by making the cast perform with real furniture and props. Finally, to view the finished production at arm's length, as a whole. To take into account the tastes and habits of the audience in just the right proportions, to omit anything that may be needlessly dangerous, to cut anything that is too long, to eliminate errors of details that are inevitable in any work that is done quickly.

"To listen to advice from interested parties, to weigh it in the mind, to decide when to follow and when to reject their advice. Finally, with a quickening of the heart, to open one's hand, give the signal, let the work appear before so many assembled people! It is an admirable profession, is it not? One of the most curious, one of the most fascinating, one of the most subtle in the world!"

Monsieur Porel's excellent and precise summation is as fitting for the 90's as it was at the beginning of the century.



CELEBRATING THE SWEDISH FESTIVAL OF LIGHT OR "LUCIA," members and friends from a Swedish class were guests of June Turner at her Rancho Rio Vista home in Carmel. "Lucia," Nina Hare, at left, was joined by her daughters Jessica, Jaqueline and Sabrina. With them are their grandparents, Carl and Mary Anita Von Salze.

Photo courtesy June Turner

Carmel Woman Feared Swept to Sea

A helicopter search by the sheriff's search and rescue team continued at mid-day Wednesday with no signs of Adelheid Reimnitz, 50, thought by her husband to have been swept out to sea Monday at Soberanes Point south of Carmel.

Known as Heidi, Reimnitz was reported missing by her husband, Rudolf, Monday afternoon. He said she may have been looking for mussels at Soberanes Point where they had harvested them a couple of weeks ago. Her silver Mercedes was found parked near the beach with her purse locked in the glove compartment, Reimnitz said.

Bill Cassara, a spokesman for the Sheriff's Department, said the investigation will continue because there is always the possibility of a kidnapping, an accident while hiking or foul play.

"She probably got swept off by a killer wave," a tearful Reimnitz told the Sun. He said every once in a while a wave comes in that is three times bigger than the 10 preceding ones.

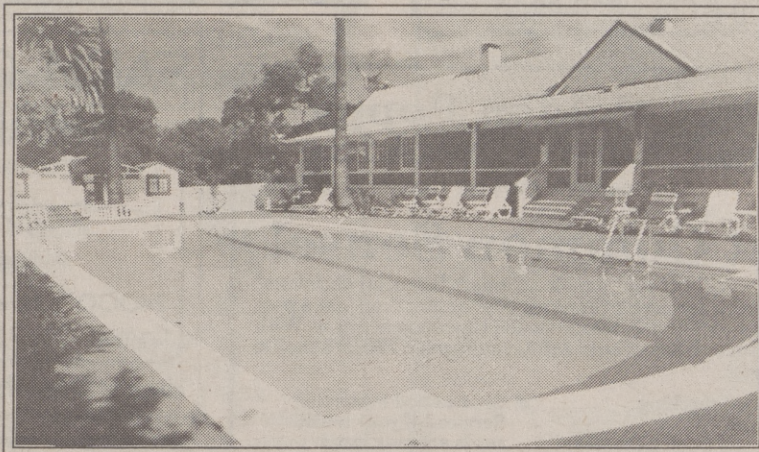
"I rule suicide out," Reimnitz said. "She left in too good of frame of mind although she had been depressed somewhat." He said she was going to register for a course at Monterey Peninsula College and to go grocery shopping. She had told him she would be home by 4:30 as he needed the car for an errand then.

The Reimnitz had been married for 28 years and live on Ward Place near Carmel High School. Their 18-year-old daughter, Gesa, who lives in Kodiak, Alaska, graduated from Carmel High last spring.

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Carmel Raises Planning Fees

The Carmel City Council voted unanimously Tuesday to raise its Planning Department fees across the board and to initiate a charge for appeals brought to the Council.

Planning Director Diane White estimated the changes would bring about \$6,000 in additional revenue to the city through the end of the current fiscal year.

Fees for appeals from Planning Commission decisions would cost \$100 except in instances of a technical denial which can occur if not all members are present because a use permit requires five affirmative votes. At present there is no charge for appeals by an applicant. Other parties must pay an amount equal to the original application fee.

The number of appeals brought to the council has risen from 38 in 1984-86 to 45 in 1990-91 and is projected to increase to 60 in 1990-92. A report by City Administrator Doug Schmitz found that the rate of support for the commission had fallen from 74 percent in 1984-86 to just 55 percent.

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Constance Laub, who has brought numerous appeals, suggested the council ought to refund the fee if the applicant wins an appeal.

The \$100 fee was based on a study by White which found that the average cost of such appeals to the city is \$277.26. She said other local cities fees range from no charge in Marina and \$25 in Monterey to a high of \$345 in Salinas.

Other fees, which she said had not been increased since 1990, were adjusted to bring them more in line with city costs, White said.

The cost of applying for a General Plan Amendment, for example, was changed from a flat \$350 fee to \$30 an hour. This compared to a \$2,000 flat fee in Salinas and \$200 in Monterey.

Highlands Burn Season Starts

The Carmel Highlands Fire Department advised that its backyard burn season began Jan. 1 under rules established by the Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District.

A permit, which can be obtained at the fire station on Fern Canyon, is required and burning of dry brush and trimmings at one- and two-family homes is allowed only on specified days. The burn season for Carmel Valley and Mid Valley begins March 1.

Not in Village Character

Lighting Denied for Scenic Road House

Carmel, a quaint village without street lights, does not want its houses decorated with architectural or landscape lighting either.

But, the problem is not an easy one. The City Council spent more than an hour Tuesday arguing with two lighting experts before denying their appeal from the Planning Commission which rejected a plan for "state of the art" lighting at a Scenic Road house.

The night prior to the meeting each member drove by the house owned by Frank Logoluso to see what the lighting looked like. Councilwoman Barbara Brooks even disclosed that she went with her dog in her bathrobe after going to bed and forgetting that she needed to drive past the house.

"The first time I drove right by it," Brooks said. "I thought I was going to see lighting and I missed the house. The light is very low and not intrusive."

Councilman Bob Fischer also liked the way the house was lit from a safety point of view. "There's no question in my mind that with the direction Carmel is going safety is going to be a primary concern."

A former Carmel policeman, Fischer recalled how "scary" it can be for a lone police officer armed with just a flashlight to check out the dark areas of some houses

along the beach.

"We're kind of caught here," said Councilman Ken White. "The council asked the Planning Commission to come up with an ordinance on lighting and we passed it. This lighting plan is probably on the cutting edge of science in lighting."

"What makes you think that?" asked Mayor Jean Grace who characterized it as "Hollywood Hillsish."

"Indirect lighting came right out of California Moderne in the 1920's and 30's," she said. "I grew up in a house like that in Hollywood Hills."

She also reminded the council that it had asked the Planning Commission to examine the city lighting with a resulting recommendation to get rid of "up-lighting" such as that used at the Logoluso house.

Criticized for not upholding the commission on many appeals, the council voted 4-0 to deny the case and remand it to the commission for a solution.

Roger Rector and Mark Watson, representing Logoluso, objected and complained they had not been treated fairly because the Planning Commission never let them respond and "cut them off" after its public hearings were closed.

This angered Chairman Paula Ramsey who told the council, "We have 30 pages of discussion with these two gentlemen. At no time do I think they were ever cut off. Eventually public hearings must be closed."

Planning Director Diane White pointed out that the city's design guidelines do not encourage landscape lighting and, "If the council doesn't agree, it should say so."

White said the building code called for one light per exit to a house. Brooks said that could be accomplished with one floodlight that would be far worse than the four low lights used at the Scenic Road house.

Sea Otter WAVES Meet

Laurie Schumann, Disaster Chairman of the Carmel-by-the-Sea Red Cross, will address the Sea Otter WAVES Saturday at its first monthly meeting this year.

Schumann will explain the many services offered by the Red Cross in the event of a disaster and will describe disaster training sessions offered to volunteers. WAVES are women who have served with the Coast Guard, Marines or Navy but the meeting is open to anyone interested. The group will meet at 11:30 a.m. at Hacienda Carmel on Carmel Valley Road.

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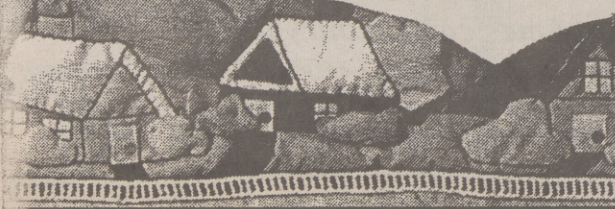
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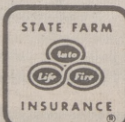
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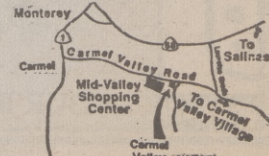


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Cistern Survey Details Age-Old Water Saving Practice in Region

Despite a disappointing response, a survey of cistern users within the water management district concluded that they captured and saved at least a half million gallons of water a year—and probably twice that much.

The survey was published in the winter issue of Agua Preciosa, the newsletter of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District. The results were compiled by Robert Hunsicker, a Valley resident who has recently been appointed to the Monterey County Water Resources Agency.

The survey showed that nearly half of all cisterns in use are located in Monterey and Pacific Grove. Most cistern owners primarily catch water from their roofs and more than 75 percent of them use the captured water to irrigate landscaping.

The survey identified total storage capacity of 167,320 gallons, meaning that for every gallon of storage in place, the cisterns captured and used 4.2 gallons of water over the year. Hunsicker said the cost of putting in the cisterns, most of which depended on drums for storage, was estimated to be about \$1 a gallon.

"The number of replies was a major disappointment," Hunsicker wrote in his analysis. "Bill Woodworth (an advocate of cisterns who lives in Pacific Grove) was aware of at least 80 cistern owners who had not responded."

Fifty-five responses to the survey were received in the mail, and 23 additional owners were contacted by telephone for the survey.

"The total water saved, 508,981 gallons per year, represents just over 1.5 acre-feet of water. Based on Bill Woodworth's inventory of cistern owners, it is reasonable to assume there are at least 100 cistern owners not included in the survey," Hunsicker said.

"There is one known location with a large reservoir that did not report. Probably over 3 acre-feet of water is saved each year by the use of cisterns."

By geographical region, here is where the survey found cisterns:

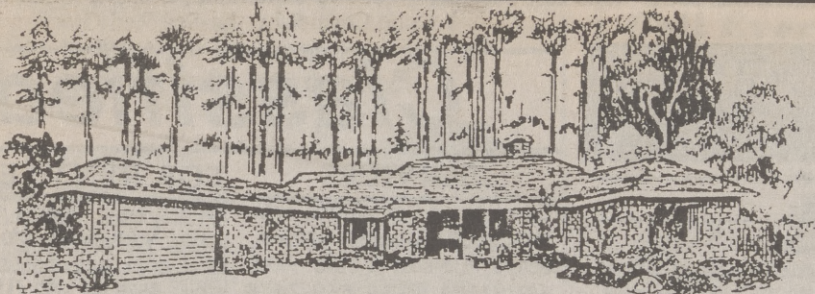
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Monterey	17	21.8
Pacific Grove	19	24.4
Pebble Beach	8	10.3
E of MidValley	7	9.0
W of MidValley	5	6.4
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Hunsicker said at least two aspects of cistern use were important to recognize—it creates an attitude leading to better conservation practices, and it provides an option for property owners who want to protect their landscaping in drought.

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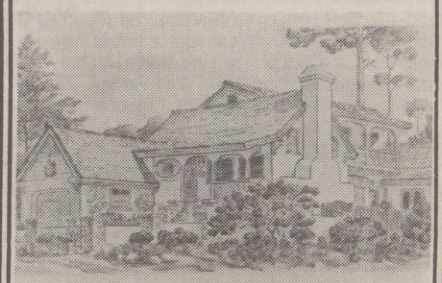
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New Storms Lift Rainfall Totals

Continued from front page

exceeded normal, precipitation in Monterey was still behind normal—but only slightly, according to weather observer Robert Renard.

He said he measured a total of 2.06 inches out of the latest series of storms which hit the area Saturday night. That brought rainfall in Monterey to 7.11 inches for the year compared with normal precipitation for the date of 7.46 inches.

"We've caught far closer to normal rainfall than at any time during our rainy months during the past five years," said Renard, retired head of the meteorology department at the Navy Postgraduate School.

"We're ahead of schedule," agreed Darby Fuerst, water resources manager for the water management district, reporting the storm also dropped 2.4 inches at San Clemente dam in the upper Carmel Valley. Normal rainfall for all of January at San Clemente dam is 4.1 inches, Fuerst said.

In the Jamesburg area of the Valley, Junis Olson had measured 2.8 inches from the latest storms as of Tuesday afternoon.

The storms, which Renard said brought more moisture than most weathermen had expected, followed even heavier rains from back-to-back storms the weekend before.

Fuerst said San Clemente dam had filled as of Dec. 30 and Los Padres dam was expected to fill by the end of the week even if no more rain falls. Los Padres reservoir, with a capacity of 2,180 acre-feet of water, had 1,960 acre-feet in it as of Tuesday morning, Fuerst said.

As for the short range weather outlook, Renard said there was only an outside chance that the area would enjoy a third straight damp weekend. The long-range is also less than definitive, Renard said.

Covering the three wettest months in the region, the latest 90-day National Weather Service outlook puts the Central Coast on what Renard called the "magic borderline" between below normal rainfall to the north and above to the south.

"It's not terribly bad news, but it's not terribly good, either," Renard told the Sun. "I would say the best chance would be for near normal rainfall over the next three months, but what we need is heavier than normal."

The long-range outlook, which extends to the end of March and covers the heart of the area's normal rainy season, also called for temperatures to be near or above normal.

The temperature and the rainfall outlooks indicate that any storms the region receives likely will come out of the mid-Pacific rather than coming down from the Gulf of Alaska, Renard said.

Storms from the mid-Pacific tend to bring heavier rainfall and be accompanied by warmer temperatures than those from Alaska.

In 1982-1983 when the area received record rainfall from an El Nino, Renard said most of the storms originated in the Mid-Pacific.

He added that the El Nino effect is reoccurring this year, but "it's still very weak."

An El Nino is a periodic warming of the eastern Pacific off the west coast of South America which then moves up to the west coast of the United States, changing the temperature of the ocean.

Renard has said in the past that weak El Ninos tend to be associated with dryer than normal weather for the Central Coast while strong ones cause heavier than normal precipitation.

On average, Carmel Valley receives about 10 inches of its 18-inch annual rainfall in January, February and March, and the normal rainy season ends in April.

With the latest rains, flow in the Carmel River advanced about a mile and a half before it began to disappear by soaking into the big aquifer in the center of the Valley. The flow had been to about Robinson Canyon before the latest storms, said Fuerst, and it advanced about a mile and a half toward Schulte Road.



STORM CLOUDS GATHERED OVER CARMEL POINT during sporadic but heavy rains that dumped welcome moisture over the peninsula during the week.

Sun photo by Isabelle Hall

On Tuesday, he said measurements showed about 80 to 90 acre-feet of water a day were flowing past the Robinson Canyon bridge.

The upper Carmel River aquifer, which holds 6,500 acre-feet, is full. The lower aquifer, which holds a usable 21,927 acre-feet of water, was about 4,000 acre-feet shy

of being full before the latest rains, Fuerst said.

Matthews said the wettest January on record in Carmel Valley Village was 1969 when 12.53 inches of rain were recorded. The driest January was 1975 when only .09 inches fell, he said.

Legal Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of the city of Carmel-by-the-Sea will conduct a public hearing in the City Hall Council Chambers, located on the east side of Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues, on Wednesday, 22 January 1992. The public hearings will be opened at 4:00 P.M. or as soon thereafter as possible.

IF YOU CHALLENGE THE NATURE OF THE PROPOSED ACTION IN COURT, YOU MAY BE LIMITED TO RAISING ONLY THOSE ISSUES YOU OR SOMEONE ELSE RAISED AT THE PUBLIC HEARING DESCRIBED IN THIS NOTICE, OR IN WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE DELIVERED TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION OR THE CITY COUNCIL AT, OR PRIOR TO THE PUBLIC HEARING.

1. Consideration of amendments to Chapter 17.08 of the Municipal Code regarding water allocation in the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea and review of a Negative Declaration in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act.
2. Consideration of amendments to Chapter 17.36 of the Municipal Code related to sign regulations and General Plan Land Use Element.

3. DS 90-71
Luis Medrano
W/s Vizcaino bet. Mt. View & Flanders Block 102, Lot 11
4. DS 91-40
H.D. Newman
W/s Camino Real bet. 9th and 10th Block P, Lot 13 and South 5' of Lot 11
5. SU 91-40
Jeffrey and Maria Ford
W/s Santa Fe bet. 3rd and 4th Block 38, Lot 13

Consideration of a design study for a new two-story single family residence located in the R-1 Land Use District.

Consideration of a design study for a new two-story single family residence located in the R-1 Land Use District.

Consideration of a request to legalize an existing subordinate unit in accordance with Ordinance No. 91-14. (Written opposition to issuance filed by neighbor.)

Consideration of a request to legalize an existing subordinate unit in accordance with Ordinance No. 91-14. (Written opposition to issuance filed by neighbor.)

Consideration of a use permit for an art gallery located in the Central Commercial (CC) Land Use District.

PLANNING COMMISSION
City of Carmel-by-the-Sea
CARLA RAMSEY, CHAIRMAN
(s) Mary Jahr-Purvis
Secretary of said Commission

Dated: 3 January 1992
Date of Publication: 9 January 1992
The Weekly Sun

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a General Municipal Election will be held in the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea on Tuesday, April 14, 1992 for the purpose of electing the following officers:

One (1) Mayor's seat for a term of two (2) years Two (2) seats on the City Council, each for a four (4) year term

Nomination documents for the above offices may be obtained from the City Clerk's office beginning January 16, 1992 and must be filed with the City Clerk by 5:00 P.M. February 6, 1992.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN THAT if, by 5:00 P.M. on the 63rd day prior to the day fixed for the regularly scheduled municipal election, no one or only one person has been nominated for any elective office to be filled at that election, the city clerk shall submit a certificate of these facts to the governing body of the city and inform the governing body of the city that it may, at a regular or special meeting held before the municipal election, adopt one of the following courses of action:

- (1) Appoint to the office the person who has been nominated.
- (2) Appoint to the office any eligible elector if no one has been nominated.
- (3) Hold the election if either no one or only one person has been nominated.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN THAT the polls will be open between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 8:00 P.M.

BRADLEY J. CLARK
Registrar of Voters
Monterey County Election Department
Dated: 2 January, 1992

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

Filed November 27, 1991
File No. F911968

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Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on n/a.

(s) H. Matson

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on date indicated by file stamp above.

CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of the original in my office.

ERNEST A. MAGGINI, County Clerk
Dec. 12, 19, 1991, Jan 2, 9, 1992.
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Filed December 10, 1991
File No. F912040

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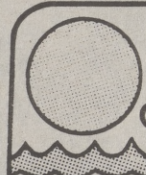
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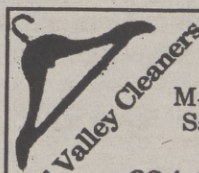
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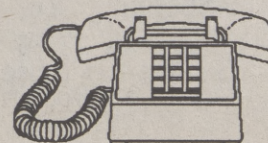
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In League Opener

Carmel Boys Notch Easy Win

By Jim Rice

The Carmel boys varsity basketball team opened Mission Trail Athletic League play with a bang Tuesday night, bagging a surprisingly easy 54-38 win over Alisal.

The Padres dominated from the beginning, leading the Trojans by 26-14 at half-time. They closed out the game with a picture-perfect three-point shot at the buzzer by Chad Franklin.

Alisal made a run at the Padres during the third quarter, but it was not enough. Carmel led 39-27 going into the final quarter.

R.J. Powell led the Padres with 17 points—high for the game. Ben Fahrer was not far behind, scoring 16 for Carmel, while David Bernhard added 10.

The game at Carmel was league opener

for both teams. The Padres took a 9-4 non-league record into the contest.

The ease of Carmel's victory was a surprise, especially since Carmel coach Rich Frank had suggested before the game that Alisal might be the second strongest five in the league. He said Palma was the team to beat this year in the MTAL.

Carmel's next league outing will be Jan. 14 on the road at Gonzales.

Carmel tuned up for its league opener by downing Hollister, 58-50, Saturday night on the strength of a 16-1 edge in foul shot scoring.

In recent games, the Padres have been notable for their foul-free play. Against Alisal, for example, they were only whistled for 13 infractions compared to 19 for the Trojans.

Carmel Girls Open With League Win

The Carmel High School girls varsity basketball team downed Alisal 46-25 on the road in the Padres league opener as Ercia Murray led all scorers with 13 points

Crystal Armstrong and Erin Kraft each had 8 points for the victors. Armstrong also played well on defense, recording five steals.

Carmel went into league play with a 9-2 preseason record and won the Pacific Grove Breakers Classic tournament in December.

Coach Leigh White said she was pleased with the preseason performance and felt the Padres will be very competitive in league play. But she was quick to point out that both Notre Dame and King City will be strong contenders.

In the girls junior varsity game, Jennifer

Rosenthal went great guns, scoring 21 points for Carmel to pace a 40-22 victory.

Carmel Girls League Basketball Schedule

Jan. 10	Santa Catalina
Jan. 14	Gonzales
Jan. 17	Notre Dame
Jan. 21	R L Stevenson
Jan. 24	Pacific Grove
Jan. 28	King City
Jan. 31	Santa Catalina
Feb. 4	Gonzales
Feb. 7	Notre Dame
Feb. 11	R L Stevenson
Feb. 14	Pacific Grove
Feb. 18	King City
Feb. 21	Alisal

Boldface denotes home games.

H.S. Students Need Aid for D.C. Trip

Carmel High School students have an opportunity to attend Close Up, a week-long government studies program in Washington D.C. Feb. 23-29, and some of them need financial help with the trip.

During an intensive week of study, students will meet with members of Congress or their staff, cabinet members, lobbyists, embassy officials and members of the media.

Contributions are tax deductible and the school asks they be made out to Close Up Foundation and mailed before Jan. 9 to Carmel High School, P. O. Box 222780, Carmel, Calif. 93922.

Highway 1 Closure Near Ragged Point Scheduled for Jan. 14

Weather permitting, Highway 1 near Ragged Point near the Monterey-San Luis Obispo County line will be closed during daylight hours Jan. 14, Caltrans advised motorists.

The closing will allow Caltrans to attempt to retrieve a crane that slipped into a roadside canyon in December. If weather interferes with the recovery on Jan. 14, Caltrans said the Highway then would be closed Jan. 15 or 16. For information on the closing, telephone 408-753-0187 or 805-549-3318.



BILL WOOD STANDS by the tail of his Alon Aircoup airplane which bears the picture of a self-satisfied Donald Duck.
Sun photo by Carolyn Rice

Valley's Bill Wood Renews Pilot's License as He Nears 89th Birthday

Bill Wood, a Carmel Valley resident who will turn 89 in May, has recertified for his pilot's license for two more years.

His flight examiner, Sandy Pratt of Carmel, had him fly to King City, do figure eights, and constant speed maneuvers. "It was nothing elaborate, mind you," Wood said. "I was a little bit rusty, I must admit."

Asked if he was nervous, Wood replied, "No, no, not a bit. I've done it many times." He also passed the physical needed to qualify him to renew his license.

"It's the last one I'm going to get, I

think," he said. "I was feeling pretty good that day."

Wood, who began flying about 30 years ago, keeps his single-engine plane, an Alon Aircoupe, at Carmel Valley Airport. Wood was the first president of the Carmel Valley Property Owners Association, and with his late wife operated Robles Del Rio Lodge from 1936 until 1985.

He belongs to United Flying Octogenarians which has 100 members, although "some are not flying anymore." Wood said he is looking forward to getting together with this group of friends in Las Vegas in May.



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